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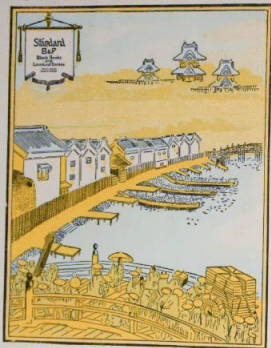
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May 2, 1933

Mr. Arley F. Rost,
Hillrose High School,
Hillrose, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your postal card of the 1st instant in which you state you desire to bring about twenty five high school students to the Mint on next Saturday afternoon, I regret to advise that the Mint has been closed to visitors for a number of years and I am unable therefore to extend you the courtesy of having these young people visit this institution.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 2, 1933

John A Davis Company,
608 Kansas Avenue,
Topeka, Kansas.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 27th instant in which you state it is not clear to you how to determine the base metal content of the material which you desire to forward to the Mint, I have to say that if your gold is of good character and will have a value of at least \$100.00, I would suggest that you add enough sterling silver to equal at least one fourth of the weight of all gold filled included in your shipment. This silver would offset the base contained in your filled ware.

Respectfully,

Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 2, 1933

The American National Bank,
Silver City, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

I have this day returned to you by insured mail the cuff link forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase for the account of F. M. Parrish, using 13¢ of the 21¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 8¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:7
Enclosure

Mar 2, 1933

Mr. H. B. Ojers,
Beloit, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 28th ultimo,
I have returned to you by insured mail the Masonic ring in-
cluded with your first shipment to this institution, using
11²⁵/₁₀₀ of the 25¢ in coin enclosed with your letter for that
purpose and returning herewith 13²⁵/₁₀₀ in stamps to balance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 2, 1933

The Director of the Mint,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 27th ultimo in reference to my requisition for a supply of Forms 570, please be advised that Form 231A could be satisfactorily used as suggested by you in lieu thereof for notifying the bookkeeper of the cashier's daily transactions and balances, or a memorandum blank form could be prepared here which would serve our purpose equally as well. It will not therefore be necessary to send a supply of Form 570.

Respectfully,


Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 2, 1933

Mr. Robert E. Nelson,
Hill City, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of recent date and will be glad to comply with your request for information if you will endeavor to make your questions clearer.

Regarding the matter of the fineness of your gold varying in different parts of your mine, I have to say that this is not unusual, as nearly all gold veins and lodes vary in fineness in different sections.

The Mint will accept deposits of freshly mined gold in lots as small as two troy ounces and pay for same at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold, less \$1.00 for melting and a small treatment charge based upon the amount of other metals or foreign substances in the gold, each consignment to be accompanied by a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been obtained.

You will note from the foregoing that no change has been made in the price paid for gold, although the price of silver has been increasing lately, the Mint paying approximately the New York market price.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

May 2, 1932

Mrs. Arthur Simon,
2324 Hemphill Street,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your shipment under date of the 29th ultimo, I have to advise that upon receipt here your material weighs 193.61 troy ounces instead of 209 troy ounces as stated in your letter of advice, the detailed discrepancies being as follows:

Your gold instead of weighing 27 ozs. weighs here
27.63 troy ounces.
Your sterling silver instead of 42 ounces, weighs here
36.94 troy ounces.
Your filled ware instead of 140 ounces, weighs here
127.04 troy ounces.

I am holding your consignment without treatment and have to request that you will advise me promptly if the weight as received here of your gold and silver is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 2, 1933

The Goldcraft Company,
416 South Ohio Street,
Sedalia, Missouri.

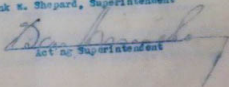
Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 1st instant enclosing money order for \$100.00 for which you desire the equivalent in bar silver and have to advise that the Mint does not sell silver in any quantity and your money order is therefore herewith returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 3, 1933

Mr. Herbert Ellis,
908 West Tilden Street,
Roswell, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 1st instant and in reply beg to advise that no changes have been made in regard to the conditions under which deposits of gold are accepted at the Mint nor the price paid therefor, namely, \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold, less the usual charges.

The Mint accepts placer gold or freshly mined gold in metallic form in lots as small as two troy ounces of gold which may be accompanied by silver of the same character, but silver alone is not purchased unless it has an appreciable gold content.

Gold in the form of manufactured articles is not accepted in lots having a value under \$100.00 nor when the precious metal content is less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

With best wishes, I am

Respectfully,


FRANK A. STEPHENS, Superintendent

CH:T

May 3, 1923

Mr. A. C. Parsons,
Grand Junction, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your consignment of recent date consisting of industrial scrap weighing 9.24 troy ounces with one of your small envelopes enclosed and have to advise that the regulations require that I receive a letter of advice concerning each deposit before it may be entered on our books for treatment and purchase. As this requirement is for the protection of the depositor, as well as for the convenience of the Mint, I would appreciate your advising me concerning this shipment and in future, please send a letter of advice with each consignment you may forward here.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OM:T

May 3, 1933

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Company,
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I have to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your voucher-check No. 21229, in amount \$1.61, covering commission on collections from telephone booths Ke-3725 and Ma-9972 for the period March 16th, 1933, to April 19th, 1933.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 3, 1933

Mayer Jewelry Company,
1124 Walnut Street,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

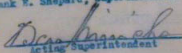
Referring to your consignment under date of the 2nd instant, weighing upon receipt here 55.41 troy ounces, for which you desire payment in gold bars, I have to advise that under the President's recent executive order it will be necessary for me to liquidate your deposit by check on the Treasurer of the United States, as gold coin or gold bars in payment of gold deposited at the Mint is not authorized.

I am holding your material without treatment and have to request that you advise me if I shall proceed to treat same and make payment as above stated.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

OK:T

May 3, 1935

El Paso National Bank,
El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your consignment No. 336, I note in your letter of the 1st instant you describe this material as one bar of bullion weighing approximately 19.7 ounces, and state that it consists of bullion from Old Mexico.

Upon receipt here your consignment consists of two ~~buttons~~ made of old jewelry. While this is ^{OK} acceptable ~~the~~ deposit, I thought it proper to call your attention to the fact that your description does not accord with the material received and have to request that you advise me promptly if the deposit as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

[Signature]
Acting Superintendent

OK:T

May 3, 1933

Mr. Lim Coon,
Buena Vista Mines,
Baby Star Route,
Tucson, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your consignment under date of the 26th ultimo, payment for which I note in the postscript of your letter of advice you desire to have forwarded by registered mail, deducting the necessary charges from the amount due you, I have to say that the regulations of the Mint do not permit any deductions being made from the payment of deposits and I am therefore compelled to forward you this check by ordinary mail and trust it will reach you safely.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Don Minich

GM:T

May 2, 1933

Mr. B. C. Yates, General Manager,
Homestake Mining Company,
Lead, South Dakota.

Dear Mr. Yates:

I have your letter of the 2nd instant and regret that the table of charges referred to in my letter of the 21st ultimo was omitted therefrom and I beg to enclose said table of charges herewith.

Regretting this inadvertence, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Dean Branch
Acting Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 3, 1933

Mr. W. A. Hancock,
Twis Bridges, Montana. P.O.Box 3

Dear Sir:

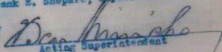
Referring to your small consignment consisting of natural grains and black sand weighing 54/100 of a troy ounce, I regret to say that this can not be purchased as two full troy ounces of gold is the minimum amount of mined gold which the Mint may accept for purchase.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your consignment will be returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

OH:T

May 3, 1933

Miss Elisabeth Spalding,
663 Washington Street,
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Miss Spalding:

Referring to your visit to the Mint this morning in regard to a small deposit received at this institution in August 1932, from Mrs. M. T. Metcalfe of Hot Springs, New Mexico, and confirming my telephone message to you subsequent thereto, I have to advise that this small deposit was forwarded to Miss Bernice Lloyd, 5647 Fountain Avenue, Hollywood, California, in compliance with request received from Mrs. Metcalfe under date of November 17, 1932, her letter being as follows:

"November 17, 1932
Hot Springs, N. M.

Supt. U.S. Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Shepard:

I have waited quite a while on my old friend, Miss Spalding; am obliged to think that she and her sister are spending the winter in a milder climate. She must have received my letter as it has not returned.

May I trouble you further - yet, it will not be more trouble than returning the little shipment of old gold to me here would be.

Please have the stuff sent to
Miss Bernice Lloyd,
5647 Fountain Avenue,
Hollywood, California.

I enclose 18 cents in stamps for postage and insurance.

Very sincerely yours,
M. T. Metcalfe."

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

By

[Signature]
Acting Superintendent

May 3, 1933

Mr. C. A. Binard,
1934 Bragdon Avenue,
Pueblo, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I regret to say that the small amount of gold forwarded by you with your letter of the 1st instant, and which weighs upon receipt here 1.95 troy ounces, is under the minimum amount which may be accepted for purchase - mined or placer gold not being purchased in lots having a weight under two full troy ounces of gold. If you could send about 10/100 of an ounce more to be added to this lot, I shall be glad to have you do so and check in payment will be forwarded you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

B. A. Minich
Acting Superintendent

OK:T

May 3, 1933

Mr. Curtis Holdeman,
Tyrone, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 30th ultimo, I have to advise that the metallic substances forwarded here by you appear to be Zinc. Although the Mint does not make analyses of material of this kind, it does not appear that this material contains any value in the precious metals and it is returned you herewith.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Don Minich
Acting Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 3, 1933

Mr. C. O. Veker, Secretary-Treasurer,
Annie Creek Mining Company,
218 Tribune Annex,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 1st instant, I have
to state that so far as I am advised, the fact that the
United States is off the gold standard will not alter the
payment of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold deposit-
ed at the Mint, less the customary charges.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

D. C. Hinch
Acting Superintendent

CH:T

May 4, 1933

Mr. Joseph M. Glenn,
Manager, Federal Reserve Branch Bank,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Glenn:

Referring to our telephonic conversation of this date, I have to advise that the standard and least current weights of gold coins are:

<u>Denomination</u>	<u>Standard Weight</u>	<u>Least Current Weight</u>
Double Eagle	516 grains	512.20 grains
Eagle	258 "	256.71 "
Half Eagle	129 "	128.36 "
Quarter Eagle	64.50 grains	64.18 "

Lightweight Gold Coins:

All gold coins below the least current weight are "lightweight".

Uncurrent Gold Coins:

All gold coins which further circulation will reduce below the least current weight are "uncurrent coins".

Trusting this information will be of service to you,

I am

Respectfully,

Frank K. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Don Kinich
Acting Superintendent

May 4, 1933

Mr. James Fry,
Boles, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your recent letter received here on the 3rd instant, I have returned to you by insured mail the small amount of new gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 13¢ of the 17¢ enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 4¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CE:T

Enclosure

May 4, 1922

Mr. C. S. Wahlstedt,
107 East Park Street,
Anaconda, Montana.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 1st instant,
I have returned to you by insured mail the jewelry scrap
forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 18¢ of
the 25¢ coin enclosed with your letter for that purpose
and returning herewith 7¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to
you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

May 4, 1933

Mr. A. P. Bean,
Idaho Springs, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 29th ultimo, which weighed upon receipt here 2.39 troy ounces, you are advised that after melting and working out a large part of the foreign substances contained therein your material had a weight of only 96/100 of a troy ounce - the minimum weight of such deposits acceptable for purchase being two full troy ounces of gold. You are therefore requested in future to forward enough material to give your deposits at least the minimum weight.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:T

May 4, 1933

Mr. Walter J. Harmon,
Caché, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your note on my letter to you of the 18th ultimo, I have this day returned to you by insured mail the dental work forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using \$4 1/2 of the \$1.00 enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning \$4 1/2 in stamps herewith to balance.

Answering your inquiry, I have to say that the coinage laws and the regulations of the Mint do not permit the acceptance of deposits under a minimum of \$100.00 which has been in effect for a great many years.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH.T

May 4, 1933

Mr. John F. Drake,
Ponca City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your note on my letter to you of the 28th ultimo, I have this day returned to you by express, charge collect, the industrial scrap forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase.

Answering your inquiry, I have to say that the coinage laws and the regulations of the Mint do not permit the acceptance of deposits under a minimum of \$100.00, which has been in effect for a great many years.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 4, 1933

Mr. H. C. Sinclair,
P. O. Box 292,
Edmonds, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 30th ultimo, I have to state that while the Mint does not deal in old coins and therefore has no information as to the premiums paid by coin collectors, the coin referred to in the numismatic catalogue mentioned by you evidently has reference to the \$20 gold piece manufactured by Clark, Gruber & Company of Denver in 1860 before a United States Mint was established in this section of the country.

This is the only \$20 gold piece made of Colorado gold so far as I am aware. There may have been some of these coins bearing the date of 1861 but the records of this office do not show that any \$20 gold pieces were manufactured by Clark, Gruber & Company in that year.

The following is a description of the 1860 \$20 gold piece of Clark, Gruber & Company, and no doubt if any were struck in 1861 they probably would be somewhat similar in design:

"\$20 Dollars, 1860. Obv. PIONEER PEAK GOLD. Pike's Peak, with DENVER beneath, and below, TWENTY D.
Rev. CLARK GRUBER & CO. An eagle with shield on breast, olive branch and arrows in talons; below, 1860. Edge reeded. Size, 21½; wt., 668 gra."

The United States manufactured a large number of double eagles during the year 1861 but it would, of course, be impossible say where the gold from which they were made was produced.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 4, 1933

Mr. S. A. Morales,
Clifton, Arizona. Box 604

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 1st instant regarding your small consignment at this institution and have to say that while the package was received on the date mentioned by you, it is impossible to decipher the sender's name thereon, which was written with red lead pencil.

In order that I may be assured that this package contains the gold you forwarded to the Mint, you are requested to advise me promptly of the approximate weight of your gold and give a description of it as nearly as you can remember in order that I may identify it as belonging to you.

In future, you are requested to write your name in ink on the outside of your package and also put in the inside a memorandum to identify you as the sender.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:T

May 4, 1935

Laves Brothers,
Attention: Mr. Sam Laves,
1201 Main Street,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 2nd instant and accompanying consignment which you state weighs approximately 15 ounces, I have to advise that upon receipt here your material weighs 12.09 troy ounces and I will thank you to kindly advise me promptly if this weight is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 4, 1933

The Tungsten Production Company, Inc.,
Mr. J. C. Clark, Manager,
Boulder, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 12th ultimo, you
are advised that no deposits have been received at this in-
stitution from the Princeton Lode from the parties mentioned
by you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 4, 1933

Mr. F. R. Shick,
601 South Topeka Avenue,
Wichita, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Regarding your letter of May 1st and accompanying consignment, I have to advise that the metal shipped by you in the talcum powder can appears to be all brass after an acid test thereof and will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage.

In accordance with instructions in your letter, I have proceeded to treat your material and check will be forwarded you in due course.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 4, 1933

Mr. C. C. Remmussen,
Dodge City, Kansas. Box 1162

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 2nd instant and in reply have to state that no information is given to the public relative to deposits received at the Mint without first receiving the written authority of the depositor. It does not appear, however, that any deposits have been received from the mining companies mentioned by you.

Should I be authorized to furnish you the desired information, it will be necessary for you to supply at least the years to be covered.

In the event these companies shipped their deposits of gold through one of the Boulder banks, I doubt very much if it would be possible to trace their source.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

May 4, 1933

Mr. J. Silberman,
916 Holland Building, 211 North 7th St.,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Regarding your letter of the 2nd instant and accompanying consignment consisting of industrial scrap weighing 29.55 troy ounces, I have to advise that it appears that the addition of at least \$40.00 in good gold will be needed to give your material a value of \$100.00 which is the minimum accepted for purchase.

I am holding your material without treatment and have to request that you will advise me promptly regarding your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 4, 1933

Billings Dental Supply Company,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of the 3rd instant, I have this day returned to you by express, charges collect, your unopened consignment of gold scrap for which you desired gold bullion in exchange, the Mint being unable to comply with such request.

Regretting my inability to be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

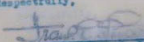
May 6, 1933

Mr. H. A. Verhees,
Orogrande, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your small consignment and have to request that you will write me a letter of advice concerning this shipment, stating the source from which the gold has been obtained - no deposits being entered for treatment unless accompanied by a letter of advice signed by the depositor.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

May 5, 1933

Mr. John C. Ward,
228 South Elm Street,
Newkirk, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

As requested by you I have this day returned to you by insured mail the two watch cases forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 19²⁴ of the 24[¢] in postage furnished by you for that purpose and returning herewith 4[¢] in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 5, 1933

Sawway Market,
Salmon, Idaho.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your consignment consisting of two enclosures, one containing one retort and the other retorts and grains, having a total weight of 10.78 troy ounces, and have to advise that no deposits are entered for treatment until a letter of advice pertaining thereto has been received from the depositor. You are therefore requested to write me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 8, 1938

Mr. Ray Tompson,
21 East 34th Street,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment under date of the 2nd instant consisting of industrial scrap weighing 35.70 troy ounces, and have to advise that no deposits are entered for treatment unless accompanied by a letter of advice signed by the depositor. You are therefore requested to write me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

GB:T

May 5, 1935

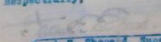
Mr. Nels Berge,
C/o J. Wellstien,
1116 West National Avenue,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your shipment of gold scrap under date of the 30th ultimo, weighing upon receipt here 13.84 troy ounces, and same will have our prompt attention.

Answering your inquiry as to the purchase of silver, you are advised that deposits of silver must be accompanied by an appreciable amount of gold in order to be accepted for purchase by the Mint.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

May 5, 1933

Mr. George Fox,
Quartzite, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your small consignment weighing 3.01 troy ounces and have to advise that the regulations of the Mint require that a letter of advice be received by me before any deposit may be entered on our books for treatment. You are therefore requested to advise me concerning this shipment at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 5, 1933

Mr. J. V. Rollins,
243 Massachusetts Avenue,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 3rd instant, you are advised that payment for deposits at this institution is usually made within three to five days after their receipt, due allowance being made for intervening Sundays and holidays. In all cases every effort is made to expedite payment as much as possible and while the delay sometimes exceeds the time stated, such excess time is not frequent.

It will be impossible to secure quicker returns on deposits by paying a service charge which would be contrary to the regulations.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

May 5, 1933

Mr. Marshall Howard,
441 North 22nd Street,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 2nd instant and in reply to your request for information concerning deposits at this institution from the Pittsburgh Flower Mining Company or by Frank W. Parker, as per memorandum enclosed by you, and also as to deposits from Robert W. West, Arroy, New Mexico, during the past sixteen months, I have to advise that such information is not furnished except upon written authority of the depositor, upon receipt of which, in both cases, I shall be glad to comply with your request.

Respectfully,

Wm. E. Shepard, Superintendent

WET

May 6, 1933

Mr. M. C. Powell,
Secretary, Division of Geology,
Department of Education,
401 Seventh Avenue, North,
Nashville, Tennessee.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 3rd instant and have to say that while I remember very well the correspondence had with Walter S. Walker of Nashville, Attorney for William Herringweather of Clarksville, Tennessee, I feel under the circumstances that the proper way for you to obtain a copy of my letter to Mr. Walker under date of April 30, 1931, would be to make your request of him or have him authorize me to send a copy of it to you. Upon receipt of such authority in the premises, I will be glad to comply with your request.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:2

May 6, 1933

Mr. Charles W. Henderson,
Division of Mineral Statistics,
U. S. Bureau of Mines,
519 U. S. Custom Building,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Henderson:

As requested in your letter of the 4th instant,
I am herewith enclosing duplicate memorandum report on bul-
lion deposited at this institution by Tom Bell, Graceland, N.M.,
under Mint certificate No. 2735.
Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

May 6, 1933

Mr. Paul Klepich,
Red Lodge, Montana. Box 993

Dear Sir:

Referring to your note of the 4th instant in which you state you are forwarding 5 ounces of gold nuggets, I have to advise that upon receipt here your nuggets weigh 4.64 troy ounces and before proceeding to treat this deposit, I have to request that you will kindly advise me if the weight as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 6, 1923

Mr. A. Wiman,
C/o Service Jewelers,
1915 $\frac{1}{2}$ Main Street,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your consignment of the 4th instant, I have to advise that your industrial scrap upon receipt here weighs 12.14 troy ounces in lieu of 252 Dwt. and 20 grains, or 12.60 ounces, as stated by you.

Your package was sealed when received and does not appear to have been tampered with in transit. Kindly advise me promptly if the weight of this material as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

May 6, 1933

Mr. George Elser,
Wassfield, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 3rd instant and accompanying sample of mineral ore, you are advised that the Mint does not make assays of such material.

This sample does not appear to contain any values in the precious metals and appears to be pyrites of iron which is of no commercial value.

If you desire the return of this sample to you, please forward the necessary postage at your earliest convenience, otherwise it will be thrown away.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

May 6, 1933

Mrs. J. Bomschien,
323 South Maine Street,
Las Vegas, Nevada.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your letter of the 3rd instant and accompanying consignment, I have to advise that your three gold nuggets have a combined weight of 14/100 of a troy ounce, and the six pieces of metal, which are brass granulations, weigh 44/100 of a troy ounce.

This material, accordingly, is not acceptable for purchase. The Mint will purchase placer or freshly mined gold in lots as small as two troy ounces of gold.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your metal will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

May 8, 1933

Dr. Frederick Borchers,
415 1/2 Fourth Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

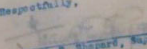
Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 4th instant, consisting of precipitates weighing 3.75 troy ounces, I have to advise that the Mint can not purchase this material from you as its value is considerably less than \$100.00 which is the minimum accepted.

Your package was received at this post office in bad condition and so marked - the box being badly crushed. The contents, however, appear to be intact and consist of four large filter papers very damp with acid.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your material will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:7

May 8, 1933

Mr. A. P. Moore,
525 Minnesota Avenue,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 5th instant and in reply have to advise that the Mint does not furnish any estimates of the value of old gold without previously melting and making an assay thereof at the customary charge for such assay. Deposits of old gold are accepted for purchase when they have a minimum value of \$100.00 and contain at least one-fifth of their weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver.

If you believe your material contains the required value, I would suggest that you add one-fourth of the weight of your filled ware in sterling silver to effect the large amount of base metal usually contained in such material.

The Mint imposes a melting charge of \$1.00 for each 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction, and when deposits contain an appreciable amount of white gold alloys, an additional charge of \$1.00 is imposed for each 100 ounces, or fraction.

There is also imposed a parting and refining charge varying from 1/4 to 3/4¢ per gross ounce, this charge depending upon the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

May 6, 1933

Mr. G. L. Cole,
Rockford, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Cole:

I have your letter of the 4th instant and am glad you have received your remittance in payment of your consignment which I turned over to Mr. Blaurock and trust the amount received was satisfactory to you.

In regard to your lease with J. W. Shortley, I regret to say that I knew of no way in which the Mint could be of assistance to you in forcing Mr. Shortley to pay you the 10% royalty on any gold recovered from the mining property in question, the Mint possessing no authority in the premises.

The Mint issues only one payment on each deposit which is made direct to the depositor, or to such party or bank as may be designated by him, but when so requested by the depositor, will forward to interested parties a duplicate copy of the Mint returns on the deposit which advises the second party of the weight of the gold received and the net payment made therefor.

I regret very much that I cannot be of assistance to you in this matter but you will readily see that the Mint would be involved in endless controversies if it undertook to enforce the provisions of the various leases made when they are not properly carried out.

With kindest regards, I am

Respectfully,


Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 8, 1933

Messrs: Ray La Force and
Frank H. Horn,
Tuscarora, Nevada.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 3rd instant, you are advised that your grains upon receipt here weigh 2.41 tray ounces instead of 3 or 4 ounces as stated by you. Owing to this discrepancy in weight, I have to request that you will advise me promptly if the weight of your material as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 6, 1935

Miss Eleanor Whiteall,
51st & Bedford Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Miss Whiteall,

Replying to your letter of the 4th instant, I have to advise that the Mint has no literature or pamphlets of any kind for distribution that would be of any assistance to you in your study of banks and money. I would suggest that you consult a good encyclopedia in your local library.

Regretting that I am unable to be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:T

May 6, 1923

Mr. W. A. Hancock,
P. O. Box No. 2,
Twin Bridges, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of the 5th instant,
I have this day returned to you by insured mail your natural
grains and black sand forwarded to this institution for pur-
chase, using the 13¢ in stamps enclosed with your letter for
that purpose.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to
you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

GH:T

May 8, 1935

Mr. Eugene A. Levi,
1125 P Street,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and consignment of the 6th instant, you are advised that upon receipt here your button of industrial scrap weighs 34.23 troy ounces, instead of about 36 ounces as stated by you.

Please advise me promptly if the weight as received here meets with your approval, and oblige.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 8, 1933

Rosen Brothers,
522 East Douglas Avenue,
Wichita, Kansas.

Gentlemen

Answering the postscript on your letter of the 3rd instant, if it is necessary to forward silver with each shipment of gold filled ware, I have to advise that where such ware forms an appreciable part of the deposit, it is necessary to have at least one-fourth of the weight in high-grade silver to effect the base metal content contained in the filled. The regulations require that each deposit contain not less than one-fifth of its weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver, and since our treatment charges are based upon the amount of base metal contained in deposits, the more the base metal content in the deposit is reduced, the more our charges are lowered.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

May 9, 1933

Mr. W. M. Bird,
Kokisala, Oregon. R. 1

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of April 22nd and accompanying bottle containing a powdered substance and have to advise that the Mint does not make assays of material of this kind, nor am I able to advise you as to the nature of this material.

If you desire, I will turn this sample over to the United States Bureau of Mines in the city who may be able to express an opinion as to its character, but if you desire it assayed, it will be necessary for you to send a sample to some assayer who does this kind of work.

Please advise me promptly of your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 9, 1933

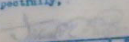
Meyer Jewelry Company,
1124 Walnut Street,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 8th instant, forwarding a package of gold to the Mint and have to advise that upon receipt here your button and industrial scrap weigh 43.14 troy ounces, instead of 465 pennyweights, as stated by you.

Before proceeding to treat this material, I would appreciate your advising me if the weight as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 10, 1933

Mr. Frank Montoya,
615 7th Street & Hill Avenue,
Gallup, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 6th instant and have to say in reply that payments for gold deposits at the Mint are made by check on the Treasurer of the United States, neither gold bars or gold coin being authorized in payment of such deposits.

Trusting this is the information desired by you.

I am

Respectfully,

Frank N. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

May 10, 1933

Mr. Robert W. Nelson,
Hill City, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of recent date, I regret that I have no way of determining the reasons for your gold varying greatly in fineness when obtained from different parts of your lode.

If you will give me the number of your memorandum of returns of what you term "our last shipment", I shall be glad to look up our assays thereon which may throw some light on the reasons for our charges being more on that deposit than previously.

I note that you state your gold is shipped just as cleaned up from the mortar box and concentrating tables, the dirty ends being melted into buttons. As these buttons undoubtedly would contain considerable base they would lower the fineness of your grains if shipped at the same time, as upon receipt here all items embraced in the deposit are melted together and the depositor paid for the gross fine ounces of gold contained in the mass.

I am glad to have you write me and regret that I can not be of more assistance to you in this matter.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 10, 1933

Mr. A. Koevenig,
Hill City, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant relative to your deposit under date of April 10th, concerning which you think there must be an error in the fineness as reported to you and the payment made you thereon, please be advised that when deposits are received at the Mint they are first melted and thoroughly stirred while in that process, and then poured into a bar. This bar is assayed at each end, top and bottom, and the assays of these two samples must agree before payment is made. When concordant assays are not obtained, the bar is remelted and stirred while being melted.

I find upon examination of our assays of this bar that perfect agreement was obtained on the first assay and upon re-assaying the bar after the receipt of your letter, our original determination was checked in every respect.

When this consignment was melted upon receipt here, the melter's card bears the notation that copper, sand and mercury were eliminated during the process of melting and as the consignment consisted of a button and some grains, it would appear that the button was made up of other gold than the natural grains, and the combination of the metal in the button and the separate grains brought down the fineness of the mass to 854½ parts gold and 052 silver out of a possible 1000.

There is no doubt therefore, since these assays agree in all respects, that the fineness indicated was the true fineness of your bar and that the payment made you represented the full value of the pure gold and silver content of your material, less our charges imposed thereon.

I am very glad to have you call my attention to this matter and would willingly correct any mistake had one been made at the Mint, but in this instance I do not see how it would be possible to account for the low fineness of your consignment through any error on the part of the Mint.

I would suggest in conclusion that you investigate as to the metal composing the button forwarded with your consignment and I have no doubt you will discover that some base metal was included therein which would account for the lower fineness.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

May 10, 1933


Mr. Oscar Payne,
American Falls, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your notation on my letter to you of April 25th, last, I have returned to you by insured mail the amalgam forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ of the 27¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

May 10, 1933

The Patterson-McGrath Company,
Kansas City, Missouri.

1117 Walnut St

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 8th instant relative to the payment made you on your consignment, our No. 8481, I have to advise that owing to the low pure gold content of your material, namely, 360½ assay points out of a possible 1000, it was necessary to impose thereon a parting and refining charge of 7½¢ per gross ounce and an extra melting charge of \$1.00 due to the white gold alloy (nickel) in addition to the regular melting charge of \$1.00.

Our treatment charges vary from 1¢ to 8½¢ per gross ounce according to the assay parts of base metal contained in deposits. To obviate such charges in the future, I would suggest that when you forward scrap of this kind to the Mint for purchase, you include therewith a generous proportion of high-grade silver which would offset the high base metal content in low-grade gold scrap.

As requested I am returning herewith the papers forwarded with your letter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 10, 1933

MUNICHHEIM'S
Ellis, Kansas.

Gentlemen:

Regarding your shipment under date of the 8th instant weighing upon receipt here 35.30 troy ounces, I have to advise that owing to the large amount of filled ware embraced in this shipment, you should send not less than 5 ounces of sterling to be added thereto to reduce the base metal content of your material within the limits which the Mint will accept, it being necessary that deposits have a minimum value of \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the material.

Included in your shipment I find an imitation gold nugget weighing 57/100 of a troy ounce, the inclusion of which would not increase the value of your deposit but would increase its base metal content and upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance this metal will be returned you.

In the meantime your deposit is being held without treatment awaiting the receipt of the silver above mentioned.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 10, 1933

Federal Gold Refiners,
Dallas, Texas, Santa Fe Building.

Gentlemen:

In reference to your shipment of the 5th instant, weighing upon receipt here 60.12 Troy ounces, I have to advise that after assaying this material its base metal content has been found to be well over 800 assay parts out of a possible 1000 and your deposit has accordingly been rejected and our melting charge of \$1.00 imposed thereon which you are requested to forward me by money order at your earliest convenience.

In order to reduce the base metal content of this deposit to a point where it may be accepted for purchase, it will be necessary for you to send at least 10 ounces of high-grade silver for addition thereto, but before this may be done, the above charges will have to be paid.

For your information in this connection, you are advised that deposits must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and contain at least one-fifth of their weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver in order to be acceptable for purchase by the Mint.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Campbell, Superintendent

May 10, 1933

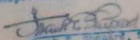
Annie Creek Mining Company,
218 Tribune Building,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Attention: Mr. C.C. Veker

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 5th instant, I have to advise that so far as I have been informed there will be no change in the price paid for gold contained in deposits accepted by the Mint for purchase, which is at the rate of \$20.67 per fine ounce, troy, regardless of where the gold content of the dollar may be fixed. In other words, if the gold content of the dollar is lowered 50%, there would be no change in the price paid for gold unless, of course, a premium should be placed on the present price of gold, which I do not anticipate as likely to happen.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Sheppard, Superintendent

CR:T

May 10, 1933

Mr. F. L. McCune,
Longford, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 9th instant, I have to state that while I have no information on the subject, I do not believe that there will be any change in the present price of gold except, of course, as commodity prices increase, the purchasing power of the dollar decreases in proportion.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 10, 1933

Postmaster,
Claim Section,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Referring to your request of this date to call at your office and make claim for the value of insured parcel No. 6070, mailed April 6, 1933, by L. J. Will, Jeweler, Iron Mountain, Michigan, I have to request that you will kindly forward to me at this institution such affidavit as you desire executed and it will have my prompt attention.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 10, 1933

The Busy Corner Pharmacy,
Telluride, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a consignment bearing your name on the outside and have to advise that no deposits are entered for treatment and purchase unless accompanied by a letter of advice.

An examination of your material, however, indicates that its value is far below \$100.00 which is the minimum accepted by the Mint for purchase and it will therefore be necessary for you to supplement this material with so much additional gold as may be required to give your deposit the necessary value to be purchased by the Mint. Should you not wish to do this, your material will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, or by express, collect, as you may request.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

May 10, 1923

Mr. A. Rubenstein,
1808 East Lincoln Avenue,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 4th instant regarding the check received by you in payment of your recent consignment at this institution and have to advise that if you will note the report forwarded you on your consignment, you will see that its fine gold content was only 161½ assay parts out of a possible 1000, and owing to the large amount of base metal contained in your material, it was necessary to impose a treatment charge of 7½¢ per gross ounce, as well as an extra \$1.00 for melting on account of the nickel contained. In addition to our regular charge of \$1.00 for melting, making a total charge of \$6.63.

I have had the assay on your bar checked and find that no error has been made in the amount paid you and I wish to assure you that had a mistake occurred, it would be gladly corrected. In view of the fact that the payment made you was correct, it will be impossible for me to make you an additional payment on this deposit.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CE:7

May 11, 1933

Superintendent,
United States Assay Office,
37 Old Slip, New York City.

Sir:

Referring to your letters of April 27th and the 4th instant, I have to advise that the Linworth balance forwarded by you for examination and adjustment will be returned you about June 1st and also the weights forwarded under separate cover for adjustment.

Regarding the Voland balance just received from you, I have to advise that Mr. Moesner states that it will be necessary to practically reconstruct this balance to put it in satisfactory condition, and owing to other work on hand, it would be impossible to promise its return to you by July 1st, although this work will be done and the balance returned you at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 11, 1933

Mrs. Ernest L. Shaffer,
712 East 11th Street,
Des Moines, Iowa.

Dear Madam:

Answering your inquiry of the 9th instant you are advised that the Government never pays a premium on any of its coins and I therefore have no information as to what premium, if any, there may be on the Indian Head pennies.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Stamped envelope returned

May 11, 1933

Mr. John S. Casey,
275 New Orpheum Building,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 9th instant, I have to advise that it is impossible to determine from which deposit any platinum is recovered when bars are sent to our refinery, as mass melts are made of a number of bars and should any of these bars contain platinum, it would be impossible to say from which bar was merged the platinum finally recovered had been obtained, its actual recovery not being accomplished until the identity of even the mass melt had long since been destroyed by the various processes of refining.

The Mint does not purchase platinum nor would it be possible to return it to the depositor for the above reason.

Respectfully,


Frank N. Shepard, Superintendent

CH.7

May 11, 1930

Schwartz Brothers Dental Laboratory Company,
 215 Olive Street, Saint Louis, Missouri.
 Dear Sirs:

Answering your letter of the 5th instant relative to your assignment to this institution under date of April 12th, that, the rejection of which was necessary because of the failure to obtain the required value of deposits accepted for purchase, I have to say that you returned my letter of April 20th, attaching money order for \$2.00 covering charges imposed on this assignment, without writing thereon any expression of your wishes as to whether you desired the return of your deposit, or if you would forward the additional material required to render your material acceptable for purchase.

Your hat has been returned you this day by express, charges collect.

Respectfully


 Frank E. Sharkey, Superintendent

CH:V
 Receipt for charges enclosed.

May 11, 1933

Mr. A. L. Lasbarts,
347 North Fourth Avenue,
Phoenix, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I have your consignment under date of the 9th instant and have to advise that your three retorts and natural grains upon receipt here weight 3.35 troy ounces, instead of 3.4/5-ounces as stated by you.

Please advise me at your earliest convenience if our weight is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:Y

May 11, 1933

The First National Bank,
Silverton, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 9th instant, I have to advise that freshly mined gold is purchased by the Mint in lots of two troy ounces of gold, or over. Amalgam is not accepted unless the mercury has been driven off.

Old gold is purchased in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00 when the precious metal content, that is, the pure gold and silver content is equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

All consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice, and if of freshly mined gold, the letter must state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 11, 1933

Mr. F. W. Pullman,
La Cygne, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 5th instant and in reply have to advise that upon receipt here all articles included in each shipment are melted and consolidated into one bar and the depositor paid for the pure gold contained in the mass as determined by sample being taken from the top and bottom at each end of the bar. I find that concordant assays were readily obtained of the gold content of your deposit, our No. 5547, and that no mistake has been made in determining the value of the gold contained therein.

With reference to your statement that your deposit, our No. 5546, containing 370 pennyweights of very ordinary scrap, etc., yielded you a return of 45¢ per pennyweight, if you will kindly refer to the Mint report on this deposit, you will note that your material upon receipt here weighed 480.6 pennyweights and that you were paid therefor \$159.01, which would be approximately 33¢ per pennyweight in lieu of 45¢, as stated in your letter.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 11, 1922

Mr. George W. Wells,
Dayton, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 7th instant you are advised that this institution has not issued any coin for the Centenary of Progress Exposition, and application for any other coin should be addressed to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C. as per the enclosed circular.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:V

Enclosure

May 11, 1933

Mr. John Walce,
426 North Hobash,
Glendora, California.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 6th instant and accompanying box of sand and have to advise that the Mint does not make assays of mineral bearing sand or rock. Reliable work of this kind, however, can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount to accompany your sample.

If you desire the return of the sample you have forwarded here, kindly send the necessary postage, otherwise it will be thrown away.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 11, 1933

Mr. William S. Hess,
101 East 1st Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a circular letter which will give you full information relative to the conditions under which deposits are accepted for purchase by the Mint, and answering your question if there is a market for old silver, I have to advise that this metal may be included with your old gold. When filled ware is included in your material, silver in the proportion of one-fifth of the weight of the filled ware, should be forwarded with your deposit to reduce the proportion of base metal within the limits accepted by the Mint - it being necessary that one-fifth of the weight of the deposit shall consist of pure gold, or pure gold and silver.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

W.S.H.
Enclosure

May 11, 1933

Mr. J. V. Bellins,
243 Massachusetts Avenue,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Answering the second paragraph of your letter of the 8th instant, you are advised that deposits of filled articles are accepted for purchase when the pure gold content of the mass will have a minimum value of \$100.00 and where sufficient high-grade silver is added to give the material a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to not less than one fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Our treatment charges vary from 1¢ to 2¢ per gross ounces according to the amount of base metal contained in deposits. I would therefore suggest that in your shipments of filled ware, you include a very generous proportion of high grade silver to reduce the base metal content of such articles.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

May 11, 1933

Sartori & Wolff,
7-10 Wall Street,
Spokane, Washington.

Gentlemen:

Referring to the request contained in your letter of the 8th instant that pure gold of equal value to the pure gold contained in your consignment, which you state you are forwarding to this Mint, be sent you in payment, I have to advise that under the recent order of the President of the United States, payment for gold contained in deposits may only be made by check on the Treasurer of the United States. You are therefore requested to advise me promptly if settlement by check for this deposit will be satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 11, 1933

Mr. W. E. Selner,
Billon, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of recent date, you are advised that the Mint will purchase freshly mined gold or placer gold when the deposit contains at least two full troy ounces of gold.

Old gold articles are purchased in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00 and when the material contains at least one-fifth of its weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver, consignments in both cases to be accompanied by a letter of advice and in the case of raw gold, the letter should state the source from which the gold has been procured.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

WHS

May 11, 1933

Mr. Frank C.iegler,
Philcade Lobby,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 6th instant, consisting of two bars of old gold weighing 16.70 troy ounces, I have to advise that the value of this deposit, as determined after melting and assaying same, has been found to be considerably under \$100.00 which the regulations require deposits shall contain in order to be acceptable for purchase.

Your attention has been called to the above requirement in the case of previous consignments which have not equaled that value and this is to advise you that while this deposit will be accepted, future consignments from you falling below \$100.00 will be rejected and all charges incurred up to the time of rejection will be imposed thereon, payment of such charges to be made before your material may be reentered for treatment or returned you. You are therefore requested to kindly hold your material until you have sufficient value to comply with the Mint regulations before forwarding it here for purchase.

Respectfully,


Frank T. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 11, 1933

Mr. J. A. Harris,
Mesilla Park, New Mexico.

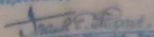
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a small consignment from you consisting of a box containing two packages of natural grains weighing 2.09 troy ounces and 72/100 of a troy ounce, or a total of 2.82 Troy ounces, but as this consignment has not been accompanied by a letter of advice it is being held without treatment as the regulations require that a letter be received by us before deposits may be accepted.

I note that your material is forwarded in two packages, and in this connection you are advised that a separate return can not be made you on each lot, which can be done only when each lot has the full status of a deposit, which in the case of new gold is two full troy ounces.

I am enclosing a source of production card on which you are asked to kindly supply the information thereon requested and return to us promptly, together with your letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank V. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7
Enclosure

May 12, 1933

Jensen Manufacturing Company,
Duluth, Minnesota.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignments under date of April 11th and 18th, weighing respectively 211.25 and 131.50 Troy ounces, payment for which you desired in gold here and cash, I have to advise that I have been visiting State deposits pending the receipt from you of information if payment by check for this gold would be satisfactory to you.

Please advise us presently as each deposit may be treated and payment forwarded you by check on the Treasurer of the United States.

Respectfully,


Frank V. Shepard, Superintendent

0017

May 12, 1923

Mr. H. F. Miller,
Alexander, Arkansas. Route 2

Dear Sir:

Referring to my letter to you of March 7th, in which you were advised that your shipment of clay, gravel and dirt could not be accepted as a deposit at the time as it contained no return in the previous article, I have to request that you will advise me if I may throw this material away, or if you desire it returned to you. If you desire its return, it will be forwarded you by express, collect.

Our storage space is limited and I should like to dispose of this material at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK,T

May 12, 1923

Mr. John P. L. Walker,
Oxtow Mine,
Tonto Basin, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 8th instant, the latter weighing upon receipt here 2.25 troy ounces, and have to advise that a preliminary test of this metal indicates that it has a very low gold content which would render it unacceptable for purchase by the Mint - two full troy ounces of gold being the very least accepted for purchase. This metal should also be cleaned more thoroughly before being forwarded to the Mint.

If you can send some good clean gold to give your deposit a gold content of at least two full troy ounces, I shall be glad to have you do so, otherwise, you are requested to forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this metal to you.

Respectfully,


Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

May 12, 1933

Mr. H. J. Penn,
Flagler Public Schools,
Flagler, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 11th instant and regret very much to say that the Mint has been closed to visitors for a number of years and it will therefore be impossible for me to comply with your request to have your high school students go through this institution.

Regretting that this courtesy could not be extended you, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

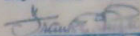
May 12, 1933

Mr. J. V. Bellins,
242 Massachusetts Avenue,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Regarding the request contained in your letter of the 10th instant to forward payment for your deposit, which you forwarded under separate cover, by air mail, special delivery, I regret to say that regulations do not permit any deductions being made from the amount due in payment of deposits for any service and I will therefore have to send your check by regular mail, unless you desire to send the necessary stamps to cover your request.

Respectfully,



Frank Y. Shaper, Superintendent

OH:7

May 12, 1933

Mr. Rowland K. Goddard,
Operative in Charge,
U. S. Secret Service,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Goddard:

Enclosed please find counterfeit twenty five cent
piece and letter from Frank G. Brown, Postmaster at Ft. Laramie,
Wyoming, which is self-explanatory.

Respectfully,


Frank S. Shepess, Superintendent

GN:T

Enclosure

May 12, 1933

Mr. Frank C. Brown, Postmaster,
Fort Laramie, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 11th instant enclosing
one counterfeit quarter dollar which you state was handed
you by Claud W. Gray of Ft. Laramie.

I desire to thank you for forwarding this spurious
coin to me and I have this day turned it over to Rowland E.
Goddard, Secret Service Operative in this city.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 15, 1933

Mr. Arthur Simon,
2924 Hemphill Street,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 11th instant and have to advise that your material upon receipt here weighs 130.03 troy ounces in lieu of approximately 137 troy ounces as stated in your letter, of your three items, the greatest discrepancy having been found in your filled ware which weighs 130.90 troy ounces instead of 145 ounces as given by you.

In view of the fact that you state you need the money as early as you can receive check in payment of your deposit, I have proceeded to trust this material but thought it proper to advise you in the premises as to this discrepancy in your weights.

Trusting this will be satisfactory to you, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shoemaker, Superintendent

CH:T

May 15, 1933

Mr. Elmer Mackey,
Boise City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of the 12th instant and accompanying consignment of one button of virgin gold, weighing upon receipt here 1.01 troy ounces, I regret to say that the Mint can not purchase this small amount of gold - two full troy ounces being the least the regulations permit us to accept.

While the Mint does not recommend outside dealers, nor assume any responsibility in the matter, you may be able to dispose of this button to Carl Elserock, Mack Building, this city, or Charice L. Parker, 1901 Lawrence Street, also in this city, both of whom purchase small amounts of gold.

If you desire your gold turned over to one of these dealers, please send me a letter of authority to hand your deposit to the one designated by you, who will be requested to make returns direct to you. If you do not desire your button turned over to one of these parties, kindly forward the necessary postage and insurance for its return to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

May 15, 1933

Mrs Rose Austin,
Blue Rapids, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 12th instant, I have to state that while the Mint could not purchase your gold ore, it would purchase your gold nuggets if you have enough to weigh two full troy ounces.

Perhaps Charles L. Parker, 1901 Lawrence Street, this city, would be able to treat your ore for the gold therein contained but I would suggest that you write to him in advance to ascertain his charges and such other information as may appear necessary in the premises.

In this connection, please be advised that it is contrary to the policy of the Mint to recommend any outside dealers and the Mint is not responsible for any transactions which may be had with dealers whose names are suggested as an accommodation to depositors.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Murphy, Superintendent

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Stamped envelope retained

May 16, 1933

Dr. A. E. Riger,
Winsley, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 11th instant, the latter weighing upon receipt here 4.85 troy ounces, I have to advise that the minimum value which deposits may contain in order to be acceptable for purchase is \$100.00, it being necessary also that deposits contain at least one-fifth of their weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver.

A preliminary examination of your material would indicate that the value contained therein is at least \$20.00 under the minimum above stated and I would therefore suggest that you forward the additional gold necessary to give your deposit the required value.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 15, 1933

H. Mueller Jewelry Company,
3618 Olive Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 11th instant and find that the weight of your material upon receipt here is 676.87 troy ounces. Although the weight given by you is indefinite, I would appreciate your advising me promptly if the weight of your consignment upon receipt here as above noted meets with your approval.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 15, 1933

Treasure Mountain Gold Mining Company, Inc.,
Mr. Gay L. V. Emerson, President,
101 Cedar Street, New York, New York.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant I have to advise that the pure gold content in deposits at the Mint is paid for at the rate of \$20.67 per troy ounce, less, of course, the customary charges of the Mint for treatment, and if any change is contemplated in this price I have not so far been advised to that effect.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 15, 1933

Mr. David Wood,
Montrose, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 13th instant and am glad to know that you contemplate forwarding your placer gold to the Mint for purchase and have to say that the Mint accepts such deposits in lots as small as two full troy ounces of gold, or over. I regret to say, however, that it has been found impracticable to accept deposits containing black sand and as suggested by you, I believe it would be better for you to forward your finer gold to a smelter to have it separated from the sand.

Regarding your inquiry relative to the receipt of deposits at this institution from a party by the name of Trees, I have to state that I do not find records of any deposits having been received from him.

In making your shipments to the Mint, I would suggest that you forward them by insured parcel post or registered mail and when so doing kindly accompany your consignment with a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been produced, and as nearly as you can estimate, the approximate weight of your material.

With best wishes, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 15, 1933

Miss Fessie E. Brown,
608 North Main Street,
Belton, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your letter of the 11th instant relative to your gold nuggets and old gold which you desire to sell, I have to say that deposits containing old gold must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and contain at least one-fifth of their weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver in order to be acceptable for purchase.

Your gold nuggets, however, may be forwarded here in lots as small as two troy ounces of gold. Kindly accompany any shipment you may make with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

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May 18, 1933

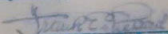
Mr. F. H. Morgan,
1603 Main Street,
Woodward, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 9th instant and beg to state that the Mint does not employ any one to gather up old gold for shipment to the Mint and purchase. Such gold is purchased, however, when sent in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

I am unable to send you any instructions that would be of any assistance to you in taking up this line of work.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 15, 1933

Federal Gold Refiners,
Santa Fe Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 12th instant stating you are forwarding 10 ounces of silver to be added to your recent consignment which requires this silver to offset its excessive base metal content, I have to advise that upon receipt here your silver scrap weighs 7.80 troy ounces.

I have added this silver to your rejected deposit and am proceeding to treat same but thought it proper to call your attention to the fact that this silver weighed only 7.80 troy ounces instead of 10 ounces as stated by you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 15, 1933

Mr. L. B. Newirth,
222 Milam Street,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 12th instant stating you are forwarding one package of scrap gold for addition to your shipment under date of April 16th which was rejected on account of the fact that it did not contain the required precious metal content, I have to advise that as stated in my letter to you of April 22nd, it will be necessary for you to pay the melting charges therein noted before further action may be taken to reenter your material. Upon receipt of these charges I will put these two lots together and after treatment forward you check in payment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

May 16, 1933

Mr. Abner S. McKee,
Pueblo, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 15th instant and in reply have to advise that this institution will be glad to purchase your placer gold when consignments contain not less than one full troy ounce of gold, for which payment will be made you at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold, less a melting charge of \$1.00 and a treatment charge depending upon the amount of base metal contained in the material, which in the case of placer gold is generally very small. It is necessary that all foreign substances, such as sand and rock, be removed before your gold is forwarded to the Mint.

Consignments may be forwarded by insured parcel post or registered mail and should in all cases be accompanied by a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been obtained and the approximate weight of the shipment.

Wishing you success, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

May 16, 1933

Mr. E. P. McCoy,
P. O. Box 1896,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 15th instant and in reply have to say that the Mind does not make analysis of mineral bearing substances, nor would it be possible for us to express any opinion regarding the black mineral mentioned by you from the meager description contained in your letter.

You can be sure to find numerous textbooks on Mineralogy in almost any public library.

I would suggest that before you put any money into the enterprise concerning which you write, you obtain more accurate and definite information in the premises than you now appear to possess.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

May 16, 1933

American Gold & Silver Refining Company,
2207 Lamar Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 15th instant advising that you are forwarding under separate cover 20 ounces of scrap gold and filtrates and have to advise that upon receipt here your scrap gold and filtrates were found enclosed in various packages and all contained in a cigar box.

This scrap gold and filtrates upon receipt here have a net weight of 16.22 troy ounces, or approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ ounces less than stated by you. I would therefore appreciate your advising me if the weight as received here is satisfactory to you before I proceed to treat this material.

Respectfully,


Frank C. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

May 16, 1902

Mr. E. F. Carothers,
Broken Bow, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 12th instant and accompanying four medals, weighing upon receipt here 2.95 Troy ounces, and I regret that I can not purchase these medals from you as deposits of this character must have a value of not under \$100.00 which, of course, these medals would not contain. Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance they will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

May 16, 1933

Mr. F. R. Shick,
601 South Topeka Avenue,
Wichita, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 13th instant,
I have this day forwarded to

Mrs. F. S. Hickman,
910 West Fourth Street,
Pittsburg, Kansas.

the metal contained in telcum powder was sent by you to this
mint for purchase, using the 10¢ in stamps enclosed with your
letter for that purpose.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you
in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CE:T

Carbon copy to Mrs. Hickman

May 16, 1933

Mr. James P. Billard,
Hutton Building,
Spokane, Washington.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 13th instant requesting information as to the amount of gold received during the calendar years 1932 and 1933 from the Morning Star Mine in Blaine County, Idaho, and have to advise that the regulations do not permit me to furnish any information concerning deposits received at the Mint without the written authority of an officer of the mining company from whom the deposits were received. It will therefore be necessary for you to obtain such authority from an officer of the Morning Star Mine.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 16, 1933

Mrs. Harry Mednick,
1712 Van Buren, Apt. 4,
Amarillo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 15th instant, which you state contains approximately 17½ ounces of gold scrap and 2½ ounces of silver, you are advised that upon receipt here your box was completely filled and the package sealed and intact, the contents consisting of five buttons and some scrap weighing 15.53 troy ounces. As this is considerably less than the approximate weight given by you, I would appreciate your advising me if the weight as received at the Mint is satisfactory to you before I proceed to treat this consignment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

WET

May 16, 1933

Miss Marjorie Harlow,
Kimball, Nebraska. Box 802

Dear Madam:

I am returning herewith the few pieces of scrap gold enclosed with your note of the 13th instant and have to advise that the Mint does not purchase gold of this kind when the deposit contains less than \$100.00 in value.

Regretting that it is impossible for me to assist you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 17, 1933

Mrs. Arthur Sisco,
2224 Humphill Street,
Port Worth, Texas.

Dear Madam:

With reference to your shipment under date of the 15th instant, you are advised that your receipt here your industrial scrap weighs 12.05 tray ounces, instead of 14 1/2 oz., or 7.07 tray ounces, as stated by you.

Before proceeding to treat this material, I would appreciate your advising me if the weight thereof as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank V. Shapard, Superintendent

OK:T

May 17, 1933

Chicago Trust Company,
Chicago, Jefferson and Broadway,
St. Louis, Missouri.

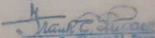
Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 12th instant, requesting the return of the two bars of gold bullion forwarded by you to this institution on April 24th and for which you desired payment in gold, with which request I am still unable to comply, I have to advise that upon receipt of your telegram of the 1st instant requesting me to determine the value of these bars and hold for further orders, your bars were melted in order that their value could be promptly furnished you upon receipt of your further orders.

In view of the fact that you now desire the return of these bars and have not requested information as to their value, it will be necessary for you to pay \$2.00 to cover our melting charges on these bars prior to their return, or should you desire them stamped with their value, the charge would be \$10.

Upon receipt of a money order or certified check covering payment of the charges applying to the action you desire taken, your bars will be returned you by express, collect.

Respectfully,


Frank C. Shepard, Superintendent

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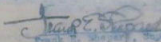
May 17, 1935

Mr. Frank Perry,
108 South Fifth Street,
Temple, Texas.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your shipment under date of the 15th instant, the total weight of which according to your letter should be 50.00 troy ounces, you are advised that upon receipt here this material weighs 48.68 troy ounces, or 1.32 troy ounces less than stated by you. Please advise us promptly if this latter weight meets with your approval.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH.7

May 17, 1933

Mr. John S. Casey,
272 New Orleans Building,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 16th instant and regret to say that your last deposit was mailed on the 16th instant, under which conditions it would be impossible for me to return and gold ring included therein, otherwise, I would be glad to comply with your request.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

May 17, 1933

Dr. Frederick Borchers,
413 1/2 Fourth Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 12th instant advising that you are forwarding under separate cover a package of gold scrap, uninsured, but to date the package in question has not reached me and I thought it proper to call your attention to that fact at this time.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

May 17, 1933

Mr. D. W. Siegel,
227 West Third Street,
Ivins, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Under date of the 15th instant I received a package bearing your name but to date have not received from you a letter of advice concerning this shipment.

Before deposits may be entered on our books for treatment, it is necessary that a letter of advice be received by me and I have to request that you will write me promptly regarding this consignment.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 17, 1933

Mr. Henry C. Engelsing,
West Star Bould,
Sargent, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 15th instant,
I have this day returned to you by insured mail the gold
bridges forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using
13¢ of the 15¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for
that purpose and returning two one-cent stamps herewith
to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to
you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

Enclosure

May 17, 1933

Mr. J. Livingston,
P. O. Box 268
Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 13th instant, I have to advise that the Mint does not sell silver bullion in any quantity nor am I able to advise you from whom such purchases may be made.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OW:T

May 17, 1933

The Denver Dry Goods Company,
Attention: Secretary-Treasurer,
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Referring to my recent purchase from you of 30 yards of window shade material under my order No. 206 of April 7th, last, in amount \$48.00, your invoice No. 7967606, which was paid you under date of the 10th instant, I have been advised by the Department at Washington that all invoices paid by Government Bureaus must carry the following certification:

"It is hereby certified that the above bill is correct and just and that payment therefor has not been received, also, except as noted below or otherwise indicated, all articles covered by this invoice are of the growth, production or manufacture of the United States."

(Name of Firm) _____

By _____

Title _____

I have therefore to request that you will kindly send me original and duplicate copy of your invoice carrying the above certification for use in lieu of the one already supplied by you.

Thanking you for your prompt attention to this matter,

I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

May 17, 1933

The Daniels & Fisher Stores Company,
Attention: Credit Manager,
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Referring to my recent purchase from you of 30 yards of shade cloth and 12 rollers, under my order No. 209, of April 7, last, in amount \$52.33, your order No. 828, which was paid you under date of the 10th instant, I have been advised by the Department at Washington that all invoices paid by Government Bureaus must carry the following certification:

"It is hereby certified that the above bill is correct and just and that payment therefore has not been received; also, except as noted below or otherwise indicated, all articles covered by this invoice are of the growth, production or manufacture of the United States."

(Name of Firm) _____

By _____

Title. _____

I therefore have to request that you will kindly send me original and duplicate copy of your invoice carrying the above certification for use in lieu of the one already supplied by you.

Thanking you for your prompt attention to this matter,

I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 10, 1933

Mr. H. J. Donskik,
Bookkeeper, United States Mint,
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I have to advise that in view of the fact that you will reach your retirement age in the 70-year class on June 2, 1933, you will be retired from the service at the close of business on June 30, 1933, in accordance with Section 204 of the act making appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1933.

I find that you will have twelve days leave due you and this should be taken, if you desire it, prior to June 30th.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 18, 1933

Mrs. J. E. Coffman,
Naturita, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 18th instant, I regret very much that the minimum of two troy ounces of gold having been fixed by the Treasury Department at Washington, it is not within my discretion to accept deposits containing a lesser amount.

While it is contrary to the policy of the Mint to suggest outside dealers and it can accept no responsibility for any returns received when such names are suggested for the accommodation of depositors, if you desire, you could no doubt dispose of your gold to Charles L. Parker, 1701 Lawrence Street, or Carl Blumrock, Mack Block, this city, both of whom are bullion dealers.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 18, 1903

Mr. J. D. Cook,
6017 North Fourth Street,
Phoenix, Arizona.


Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 14th instant asking for information regarding the price paid by the Mint for placer gold and the conditions under which it would be acceptable for purchase, I have to advise that deposits of placer gold are accepted when they contain at least two-thirds truly valuable of gold, for which payment is made at the rate of \$20.00 for each Troy ounce of pure gold contained therein, less \$1.00 for melting and a treatment charge depending upon the amount of base metal content of the deposit, which in the case of placer gold, free from sand or rocks, is generally not very much.

In writing your shipment to the Mint, kindly state the source from which the gold has been produced.

Under separate cover there has been forwarded you a letter stating conditions under which deposits of old gold are accepted for purchase, which conditions do not apply to placer or new gold, and you will kindly disregard that letter.

Respectfully,


Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

May 10, 1933

Mr. H. J. Blawie,
P. O. Box 181,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th instant making complaint regarding payment made you on the three deposits forwarded here by you prior to and including May 8th.

I have had samples in duplicate taken from each one of these deposits and after comparing same find that our original determinations have been checked down to the fraction as regards the pure gold and pure silver content of each one of these deposits, which conclusively shows that the checks forwarded you in payment covered the full value indicated by these deposits.

In order that you may understand the procedure in arriving at the value contained in deposits, I have to say that upon receipt here all bullion delivered to the depositors was weighed and assayed into two lots. Samples are then taken from the top and bottom of each rod of the bar, which samples are given in different assays for determining the precious metal content. When satisfactory assays are obtained, the pure gold and silver value contained in the bar is calculated by different calculations and when these results show, payment is made the depositor.

Being in the numerous checks neglected during these process, it is very easily that any mistake is made without being discovered before payment is issued, although should an error occur I am always glad to correct it and reimburse the depositor if an under payment has been made.

I note in your case that the gold content in each one of these deposits was exceedingly small as you will note from the numerous of returns and I can only express for your disappointment in this matter by believing that you inaccurately estimated the value contained in your material.

I am enclosing herewith one \$5 air mail stamp forwarded with

May 18, 1938

Mr. C. E. Goss,
Berco, Nebraska.

Dear Sir,

Answering your letter of recent date you are advised that if the present condition of your melted silver coin is such that the coins can be readily identified as those of the United States, the Mint will purchase same at their bullion value. If you desire to dispose of them this way, they may be forwarded here by registered mail or insured parcel post, accompanied by a letter of advice.

Sincerely,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH.7

May 16, 1933

Mr. Ben T. Hadley,
C/o State Bank,
See Castle, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 16th instant, you
are advised that if your gold nuggets contain at least two
full tray ounces of gold, they may be forwarded here for
purchase. Kindly accompany same with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Hayward, Supervisor

CH:2

May 18, 1903

Mr. W. Otis Sage,
108 West Delaware Place,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your request for certain coins of
this institution, you are advised that application for new
coins must be addressed to the Treasurer of the United States,
Washington, D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

Your blank postal card is returned herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OW:T

Enclosure

May 18, 1933

Mr. L. W. Butler,
Chile City, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and consignment under
date of the 18th instant, consisting of 10 kings and one
piece of sheet lead having a total weight of 54.17 troy
ounces, I have to advise that this metal is not accept-
able as a deposit at the Mint and upon receipt of the nec-
essary postage and insurance, it will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:Y

May 18, 1933

Busby Corner Pharmacy Company,
Attention: Mr. F. B. Wilson,
Telluride, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of the 16th instant,
I have this day returned to you by express, collect, the old
gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you
in the purchase of your material, I am

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OW:T

May 28, 1933

Mr. E. F. Burch,
Baggs, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I regret to say that the small consignment forwarded by you under date of the 16th instant, weighing upon receipt here 1.59 troy ounces, is too small for purchase by the Mint, the minimum being two full troy ounces of gold.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your two small retorts and grains will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 18, 1933

Austin Iron & Metal Company,
908 East 4th Street,
Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 16th instant and have to state in reply that silver coins which are bent and mutilated are worth only their silver value - the present market price of silver being 33¢ per fine ounce, troy.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 18, 1933

Mr. Ellsworth Lewis,
909 South Hall Street,
Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 15th instant, you are advised that during the current calendar year only one cent bronze pieces have been manufactured at this institution, there having been no silver coinage.

If you desire any of these new coins, you should make application to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 18, 1933

Dr. A. E. Rigor,
Kinsley, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 16th instant, I have this day returned to you by insured mail the dental gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 10¢ of the 12¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 2¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank F. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

Enclosure

May 16, 1923

Master A. E. McDole, Jr.,
 Mint, Colorado.


Dear Master McDole:

Answering your letter of the 10th instant, you are advised that subsequent to 1900 silver dollars were coined up to and including 1904, after which there were no such coins manufactured until 1921 when peace dollars, and the new design silver dollars were coined until 1922, inclusive, none having been coined since that date.

Since 1900, no half dollars have been coined since 1923. All other denominations were coined, except there were no quarter dollars coined in 1921, nor any nickels, five-cent pieces, in 1922.

All of the foregoing has reference only up to and including the calendar year 1921, definite information regarding the coinage at the various Mints for 1922 not being available at this office.

Respectfully,


 Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
 Stamped envelope returned

May 19, 1932

Mr. Judge Wood,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your verbal request of this morning, I am enclosing herewith copy of all correspondence pertinent to the deposit forwarded to this institution by J. A. Cohn, Youngsville, New Mexico.

Respectfully,

Walter E. Chaparr, Superintendent

CH:V
Enclosure

May 19, 1933

Mrs. Dennis Booth,
183 West 4th Street,
Liberal, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

I have your note of the 17th instant, enclosing fragments of a \$5 bill and a \$20 bill, and have to advise that the Mint does not redeem any paper currency, which is done only by the Treasurer of the United States when the claim is supported by sufficient affidavits as to all circumstances connected with the destruction of the other portion of the bills.

I doubt if ~~ANYTHING~~ can be done in this matter, owing to the very small pieces that you have salvaged, but you might write to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington for further information in the premises.

Your fragments are returned herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

Enclosure

May 19, 1933

Mr. B. Fillbach,
c/o Northwestern Bank of Gregory,
Gregory, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your consignment of recent date,
I have to advise that upon receipt here your industrial scrap
weighs 10.55 troy ounces. Instead of 10 ounces and 21 penny-
weights as stated by you.

Kindly advise us if the weight of your consig-
ment as received here meets with your approval.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 19, 1933

Messrs. Sachs & Sachs,
200 Republic Building,
Houston, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 17th instant, I regret to say that it is still impossible for us to liquidate the gold contained in deposits by fine gold or gold coins, the President of the United States having prohibited this mode of payment until further instructions to the contrary.

I do not know how you will be able to obtain the gold you desire except by applying to your nearest Federal Reserve Bank.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 19, 1903

Bank of Douglas,
Douglas, Arizona.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 15th instant and your invoice No. 4845, I have to advise that the gold bullion referred to therein weighs upon receipt here 28.66 troy ounces, instead of approximately 40 ounces as stated by you.

Before proceeding to treat this bullion, I would appreciate your advice if the weight as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Esq., President

WFS

Aug 19, 1980

Mr. E. W. Burns,
202 West 15th Street,
Davenport, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your shipment under date of the 17th instant, you are advised that owing to the large amount of filled ware embraced therein, it appears that your material will need the addition of at least 10 ounces of high-grade silver to effect the large amount of base metal contained in the filled ware and to render your deposit acceptable for purchase, it being necessary that deposits contained at least one fifth of their weight in pure gold or pure gold and silver.

I am holding your material without treatment and have to request that you forward this silver promptly.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:V

May 19, 1933

Mr. E. H. Van Tassel,
Naturita, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 16th instant and accompanying consignment weighing upon receipt here 1.65 troy ounces and regret to say that the Treasury Department at Washington having fixed the minimum of such deposits at two full troy ounces of gold, I am unable to accept this material for treatment and purchase.

If you can send at least forty or fifty hundredths of an ounce more of good gold to be added to this lot, I shall be glad to have you do so, otherwise, as requested to forward the necessary postage and insurance for its return to you.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:V

May 19, 1928

Mr. L. D. Newirth,
222 Wilson Street,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your shipment of May 12th and May 15th, I note you desire payment in gold bars and regret to say that this can not be done as the President of the United States has prohibited the payment for gold deposits either in gold coin or gold bars - all deposits to be paid by check on the Treasurer of the United States.

I am therefore holding your deposit of May 12th for the addition of the silver requested in my letter to you of the 15th instant, which has not yet been received, as well as your consignment of the 15th instant, until advised as to the mode of payment in both cases.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:Y

May 19, 1923

Mr. Ben S. Crow:
205 East 10th Street,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment order date of the 17th instant, consisting of industrial scrap weighing upon receipt here 31.15 grey ounces, and have no advice that this material is being held without treatment pending the receipt from you of a letter of advice pertaining thereto.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:7

May 19, 1933

Mr. C. M. Danner,
5271 Osell Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment under date of the 18th instant, consisting of industrial scrap weighing upon receipt here 12.71 troy ounces, and here to advise that this material is being held without treatment pending the receipt from you of a letter of advice pertaining thereto.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OS:T

May 19, 1933

Mr. F. T. Hershinger,
Willard, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your small consignment under date of the 18th instant, consisting of retorts and buttons, weighing 89/100 of a troy ounce, and regret to advise you that the minimum weight of such deposits having been fixed by the Treasury Department at Washington at two full troy ounces of gold, I am unable to accept this material for treatment and purchase.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH.7

May 19, 1933

Mr. Ellsworth Lewis,
909 South Hall Street,
Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Referring to my reply to your letter of the 15th instant regarding the coinage of this institution during the current calendar year which was mailed you yesterday, I regret that the return postage enclosed with your letter was overlooked and was not returned with my letter. You will find your stamps herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

May 20, 1923

Mrs. Jacob Schenk,
Hayden, Idaho.

Dear Madam:

I have your note of the 15th instant and regret to advise that I can not furnish you any information as how you could proceed to sell your collection of stamps, as the Mint does not deal in such articles, nor have I any information regarding reliable collectors to whom you might be referred.

Respectfully,

~~William H. Bump~~
Frank E. Bump, Superintendent

OS:T


May 25, 1923

Mr. Don Covel,
419 Manhattan Avenue,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 17th instant you are advised that the Mint does not make assays of mineral bearing specimens, but realistic work of this kind can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount to accompany your samples.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

May 20, 1933

El Paso National Bank,
El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 18th instant and have to advise that there has been no change in the basic price paid for gold contained in deposits at the Mint.

Regarding your question whether a person living in Mexico could deposit gold bullion as collateral and subsequently export it from the United States if so desired, I have to say that there are no provision in the instructions received at this office which would definitely cover a transaction of this kind, but unquestionably an application would have to be made to the Secretary of the Treasury by the Federal Reserve Bank and be approved by him before a transaction of this kind could be carried through. First, for the bank to earmark such gold and subsequently export it. I would therefore suggest that your Federal Reserve Bank be requested to take the matter up with the Secretary of the Treasury regarding the procedure to be followed in the premises.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 20, 1933

Mr. E. C. Newingway,
409 State Bank Building,
La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 17th instant and accompanying box of sand and have to advise that the Mint does not make assays of material of this kind, and while your sand does not appear to contain any values in the precious metals, such value could only be determined definitely by having an assay made.

Reliable assays can be made for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 per gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount to accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the sample you have forwarded here, kindly send the necessary postage at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OS:T

May 20, 1933

Mr. B. W. Burns,
202 West 18th Street,
Des Moines, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 18th instant, you are advised that shipments of old jewelry must contain a value of at least \$100.00 as well as a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit in order to be acceptable for purchase by the Mint.

Separate assays can not be made on lots having the value and fineness under that of a deposit.

It is not necessary that articles of old jewelry be melted before forwarding to the Mint but all foreign substances, such as screws, springs, etc., should be removed prior to shipment. Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 20, 1933

Mr. R. W. Clark, President,
Chicago-Houghton Crucible Company,
Shelton, Connecticut.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith your invoice No. W-32-255, covering the graphite articles recently furnished by you to this institution and regret to say that your certification pasted at the bottom of your invoice would not be passed by the Auditor at Washington - it being necessary that all certifications be signed in the name of the Company, as well as the officer signing same.

I therefore have to suggest that you include this latter certification under your certification regarding payment, and above the name of the firm as outlined by red pencil, and that your certification be made to read as follows in lieu of the wording given by you:

"We hereby certify that the above invoice is correct and just and that payment therefor has not been received. All articles covered by this invoice were manufactured in the United States but the graphite material contained therein came from Ceylon, no graphite being mined in the United States suitable for use in the manufacture of crucibles or like products."

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 20, 1922

Mr. G. E. Froesker,
Minot, North Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 17th instant, you are advised that the Mint could not accept deposits of concentrates of the character mentioned by you - it being necessary that such material first be treated by some reduction plant. I would suggest that you take this matter up with the Golden Cycle Corporation at Colorado Springs, Colorado, which might be able to treat your material for you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OFF

May 20, 1933

Mr. T. Wadley,
Garden City, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your note and consignment under date of the 18th instant and regret to say that your material, consisting of spectacle frames and one filled watch case, would not be a satisfactory deposit at the Mint owing to the fact that it does not contain a value of \$100.00, which is the minimum amount accepted, nor a precious metal content equal to not less than one-fifth of its weight.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your material will be returned you, or if you prefer, it will be forwarded by express, charges collect. Please advise me regarding your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 20, 1933

Mr. W. S. Hase,
C/o Family Store,
101 East 1st Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment under date of the 17th instant but to date have not received from you a letter of advice pertaining thereto. As such letter is necessary before deposits may be entered on our books for treatment, I have to request that you will write me promptly concerning this shipment.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Howard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 25, 1935

Mr. Wallace S. Field,
20-18 - 85th Street,
Jackson Heights, New York.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 15th instant and in reply have to advise that it would be impossible for me to furnish you with a complete set of uncirculated one-cent bronze pieces of this Mint's manufacture as all of these coins have been distributed except for the last two years.

All applications for new coins should be addressed to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

Regretting that I am unable to be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

GN:T

Enclosure

May 22, 1933

Mr. J. B. McKinney,
2216 West 4th Street,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of the pieces of ore forwarded by you and have to advise that the Mint does not make assays of such material and you are requested to advise me promptly if you desire the return of these specimens to you and if so, kindly forward the necessary postage.

Regretting that I can not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

May 22, 1922

Mr. E. H. Vomer, Cashier,
First National Bank,
Kensington, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith your check No. 2792 for \$10.00 and regret to say that I am unable to furnish you with new one-cent branch pieces of equivalent value, owing to the fact that new coins are distributed only through the Federal Reserve Bank, or branches, and it will be necessary for you to make your application to the nearest one of these branches in your vicinity.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 22, 1933

Mr. Roy Herry,
1604 McGregor Street,
Richita Falls, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 19th instant, I regret that I am unable to give you any information regarding the old coin mentioned by you as the Mint does not deal in old coins in any manner.

I am enclosing a circular letter which will give you full information relative to the receipt of deposits of old gold at the Mint.

Respectfully,



Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

May 22, 1937

Mrs. Leona Silver,
Route 1, Box 124,
St. Collins, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 22nd instant and have to say that while the Mint accepts deposits of old gold when of suitable value and fineness from any one who may forward same here for purchase, the Mint does not employ, nor authorize any one to gather such gold as its agent. Nor would it be possible for us to issue instructions to those not conversant with the matter how to purchase this gold for resale to the Mint.

The conditions ^{under} which deposits are received are that each consignment must ~~contain~~ ^{be} of value of \$100.00 and contain at least one fifth of its ~~weight~~ ^{value} in pure gold and silver.

The Mint pays at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold contained in deposits and approximately the New York market price for silver, less the charges imposed by the Mint for treating the material. When deposits contain a large amount of gold-filled articles, our treatment charges are much higher than if they are made up of high-karat gold.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CHIT

May 22, 1933

Mr. George W. Herritt,
Corner, Third & Central Streets,
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your shipment under date of the 15th instant, I have to advise that the total weight of your lots upon receipt here is 20.40 tray ounces, while the total sum of your weight is 20.95 tray ounces, a difference of 1.55 tray ounces.

Before proceeding to trace this material, I would appreciate your advising me if the weight of your shipment as received here is satisfactory to you.

Sincerely,

Frank W. Shepard
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CHT

May 23, 1903

Mr. James L. Whittenore,
 617 W Street,
 Salida, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your postal card of the 21st instant, I have to advise that deposits of placer gold are accepted in lots as small as two full tray ounces of gold. Deposits of articles of manufactured gold are accepted when the shipment contains a minimum value of \$100.00 and there is present at least one-fifth of the weight in pure gold or pure gold and silver.

All consignments to be accepted by the mine must be accompanied by a letter of advice and if the material is placer gold, this letter should state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Howard
 Frank W. Howard, Superintendent

OH:7

May 22, 1933

Mr. Benjamin F. McClung,
3043 Tejon Street,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mr. McClung:

I have been advised by the Chief of the Division of Appointments that the Director of Insurance, Veterans' Administration, has advised that you have been granted an annuity of \$600.00 per annum, under Section 1 of the Act of May 30, 1930, commencing April 1, 1933.

With best wishes, I am

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

May 22, 1933

W. H. Ray Market,
Nucola, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your small consignment under date of the 20th instant, consisting of one retort weighing 1.82 troy ounces, marked "Joe Hayes", and one nugget weighing 18/100 of a troy ounce, marked "E.S. Mantley", the two having a total weight of 1.81 troy ounces, and have to advise that the minimum weight of deposits of this character accepted for purchase by the Mint is two full troy ounces of gold, for which only one check may be issued in payment.

In view of the fact that the combined weight of these two lots is under the minimum accepted, it will be necessary for you to add from 1/4 oz. of gold to give your deposit a weight of two full troy ounces. If this is not convenient for you, please send the material by registered mail, postage and insurance for the return of your material to you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

May 25, 1922

Mr. Claude E. Swartz,
Silver City, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 20th instant, I have to advise that it does not appear from our records that any deposits have been received at this institution from any of the parties mentioned by you. No deposits of gold are ever accepted by the Mint nor does it ever take cognizance of any royalty ~~payments~~, all payments being made direct to the depositors.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CS:F

May 22, 1932

Mr. Edwin Hart,
Leola, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 22nd instant, I regret to say that the Mint could not purchase your material weighting upon receipt here 57.37 troy ounces as both its value and proportion of pure gold and silver fall considerably below the requirements of the Mint.

Your shipment has accordingly been returned you as requested, \$4. in postage being placed ~~thereon~~ and a one-cent stamp being returned you herewith to balance the amount received.

Regretting that the Mint could not accept this material for purchase, I am

Respectfully,


Frank V. Shepard, Superintendent

W.H.T.
Enclosure

May 23, 1933

Mr. E. E. Petty, Manager,
Red Bird Mine,
Whitney, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 20th instant and accompanying consignment, I have to advise that upon receipt here your retorts weigh 46.08 tray ounces, instead of approximately 64-10 ounces as stated by you.

Please advise me if the weight as received here is satisfactory to you and if we will be agreeable to you to have one check in payment of this material - Our regulations not permitting more than one check for each deposit.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CHT

May 25, 1938

Mr. Martin A. Larson,
General Delivery,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 22nd instant and am glad to answer the questions contained therein which may explain the method of applying melting charges on deposits received at the Mint.

In order that the Mint may determine the pure gold and pure silver content of deposits and make payment therefor to the depositor, it is necessary that the material shall first be melted whether it consists of one or more bars, or of a miscellaneous lot of articles - old gold and silver jewelry, etc. All the constituent parts of the deposits are put into the crucible at one time for melting, and after the melt has been thoroughly stirred to mix the parts thereof, the molten metal is then poured into a mold of suitable size, thus putting the material into the form of a bar. This bar is then weighed and a record may be kept of the loss sustained by the deposit in melting, as well as to determine the charges to be imposed for melting same.

The regulations require that \$1.00 ~~be~~ be imposed for melting the first 1000 ounces, or fraction, and 10¢ for each additional 100 ounces, or fraction in excess of 1000 ounces computed on the after-melting weight of the deposit, regardless of the character of the material before melting - whether it consists of old gold and silver articles or any other kind of material which has been accepted. When deposits contain 25% or more of white gold alloys, such as nickel, etc., an extra melting charge of \$1.00 for each 100 ounces, or fraction thereof, is also imposed.

Our treatment charges cover the cost of assaying deposits, but if you desire an assay made of gold and silver samples, I will be glad to quote these charges to you if you will state the nature of the material you desire assayed.

I trust this will give you the information desired and shall be glad to answer any questions if I have failed to make the matter clear to you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

May 22, 1923

Mr. Merritt Nichols,
1112 Main Street,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Answering the last two paragraphs of your letter of the 17th instant, you are advised that there are two requirements that must be complied with in all consignments forwarded to the Mint in order that they may be acceptable for purchase. First, that there shall be present at least \$100.00 in value, and second, that the deposit shall contain not less than one-fifth of its weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver.

As to the bulk weight required to comply with the foregoing conditions, that would depend entirely upon the quality of the articles embraced in the shipment, as deposits consisting largely of filled ware would, of course, have to be much greater or weight to contain the required value. Thus, 200.00 grams of a fair karat fineness. Such shipments should consist of a generous proportion of high-grade silver to effect the largest amount of base metal contained in filled ware and in order that the deposit may contain at least one-fifth of its weight in pure gold and silver. There is no objection to having plated scrap included with solid gold, provided, the proportion of filled ware does not lower the fineness of the deposit below the requirement above stated.

Our treatment charges are based upon the amount of base metal contained in deposits, so where deposits include a large amount of filled ware or plated ware, one-fourth of the weight of such material should consist of good silver and -- much more so may be convenient to forward in order that the proportion of base metal will not be excessive.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

May 22, 1933

Mr. Bruce Forestad,
606 Hickory Street,
Rock Springs, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 22nd instant and accompanying vial containing a small amount of mercury and have to advise that if this mercury contains any gold, the quantity is far too small for treatment and purchase by the Mint - the minimum deposit accepted for treatment being ten full troy ounces of gold.

Your mercury is returned under separate cover.

Respectfully,

Frank V. Murphy, Superintendent

OR:7

Enclosure

May 23, 1922

Federal Gold Refiners,
409 Toy National Bank Building,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter and assignment under date of the 20th instant, your various items weighing 26.22 troy ounces.

Unless it is of importance to you to give the weight of each lot separately, it is not necessary as far as the Mint is concerned, as all articles embraced in the assignment are put into the crucible at one time and payment made for the pure gold and silver content as determined by assaying the resultant bar.

I will proceed immediately to treat this material and trust that the returns will be satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shoyers, Superintendent

CR:T

May 22, 1933

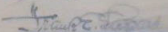
Mr. W. E. Eagle, Cashier,
Federal Reserve Branch Bank,
San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 19th instant and under separate cover the two foreign coins forwarded here by you for purchase and regret to say that while the Mint will purchase mutilated coins of the United States at their bullion value, foreign coins are accepted only in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00, such coins to be accompanied by an appreciable amount of gold when they are entirely of silver.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance the two silver coins will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 22, 1933


Mr. Carl M. Bunker,
6271 Odell Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignments to the Mint which are received in satisfactory condition, I have to call your attention to the fact that the regulations require that a letter of advice be received by us pertaining to each deposit before it may be entered on our books for treatment and purchase. This letter should be forwarded in addition to the slip which you enclose in your package.

I think your idea of enclosing such a slip a good one but have to request that in addition a regular letter of advice be transmitted in order that the routine of the Mint may be complied with in all respects.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

May 28, 1933

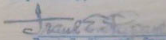
Mr. Jay Barlow, Cashier,
Sandwich State Bank,
Sandwich, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 26th instant and have to advise that your gold bullion upon receipt here weighs 6.54 troy ounces, or 53/100 of an ounce less than stated by you.

I would appreciate your advising me promptly if the weight as received here is satisfactory, and also kindly fill out the enclosed card showing the source from which the gold has been produced and return same to me at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Rogers, Superintendent

W.H.T

enclosure

May 24, 1922

Mr. T. P. Wadley,
Garden City, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 22nd instant,
I have returned to you by parcel post the material forwarded
here for purchase under date of the 18th instant, using 17¢
of the 18¢ enclosed with your letter for that purpose and re-
turning a one-cent stamp herewith to balance.

Regretting that the Mint could not purchase this
material from you, I am

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

May 24, 1922

Green Loan Association,
6 Decatur Street,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your two shipments under date of the 19th instant, you are advised that the package containing one bar weighs upon receipt here 85.80 troy ounces, instead of approximately 87 ounces as stated by you, and the package containing two bars weighs 365.05 troy ounces, in lieu of approximately 375 ounces.

Owing to these discrepancies, I am holding your bars without treatment and have to request that you will advise me promptly if the Mint weights as above noted meet with your approval.

Respectfully,


Frank T. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

May 24, 1933

J. Durst Jewelry Company,
1608 Capitol Avenue,
Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your shipment of old gold under date of the 23rd instant, I have to advise that upon receipt here this material weighs 9.28 troy ounces in lieu of $9\frac{1}{2}$ ounces plus as stated in your letter. Owing to this discrepancy, I have to request that you will advise me promptly if the weight of this material as received here agrees with your approval.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OW:T

May 24, 1933

Mr. Edwin Benjamin,
Therma, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of recent date, you are advised that placer gold is accepted by the Mint in lots as small as two troy ounces of gold. Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been obtained - there being no other regulations to be observed.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 24, 1933

Mr. Travis C. Hall,
137 Forest Street,
Malden, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 20th instant,
you are advised that all one-cent bronze pieces of the coin-
age of 1929 have long since been distributed and application
for any other coins desired by you should be addressed to
the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D.C., as
per the enclosed circular.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 24, 1922

Mr. Charles Brink,
3042 Washington Boulevard,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I regret to say that the Mint can not accept for purchase the filled watch case forwarded with your letter of the 20th instant as deposits of this character must have a value of at least \$100.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your case will be returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CS:T

May 24, 1923

Dr. Alexander H. McKay,
211 South Charles Street,
Vashonka, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of the 20th instant, I have to advise that freshly mined gold is purchased in lots as small as ten troy ounces, for which payment is made at the rate of \$16.00 per troy ounce of pure gold contained in the deposit, less \$1.00 for melting up to 1000 ounces and a treatment charge which varies according to the amount of base metal contained in the material.

Such deposits must contain at least one-fifth of its weight in the precious metals - gold and silver. Kindly accompany my consignments with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Paul W. Shepard, Superintendent

W.T

May 24, 1933

Mrs. Harry Mednick,
1712 Van Dusen Street, Apt. 4
Amarillo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

I have your shipment under date of the 23rd instant consisting of industrial scrap and filings weighing upon receipt here 10.63 Troy ounces instead of 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ounces as stated in your letter.

Please advise us promptly if our weight is satisfactory to you, and if in future you desire to be advised if your material upon receipt here does not weigh exactly in accordance with the weight given in your letter and if an approximate check of the weight would be satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 24, 1933

Mr. George S. Daniel,
Thane Vista, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I regret to say that I am unable to purchase the small button forwarded with your letter of the 22nd instant, as two full troy ounces of gold is the very minimum accepted for purchase by the Mint - your button weighing but 1.38 of a troy ounce.

If you can send a quarter of an ounce more of good gold, I shall be glad to have you do so, otherwise your button will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 24, 1933

Mr. James A. Johnson,
Gooding, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 22nd instant and have to advise that while the Mint will accept placer or freshly mined gold in lots as small as two full troy ounces of gold, gold in the form of manufactured articles is not accepted in amounts having a value under \$100.00 - your consignment consisting of natural grains weighing 80/100 of a troy ounce and one chain weighing 85/100 of a troy ounce.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance both of these items will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 24, 1933

A. & L. Dunn M. & Co. Company,
912 Franklin Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your shipment under date of the
22nd instant, weighing upon receipt here 173.15 troy ounces,
I have to advise that included therein was one imitation
gold nugget, weighing 91/100 of a troy ounce, which I have
excluded from your deposit and which will be returned you
upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, leaving
the net weight of your scrap at 172.24 troy ounces.

Trusting this action is satisfactory to you,

I am

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

May 24, 1933

Mr. E. C. Hemingway,
409 State Bank Building,
La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 22nd instant, I have this day forwarded to the United States Assay Office in Salt Lake City, Utah, the box of sand recently sent by you to this institution, with the request that it be assayed to determine its gold content, returns to be made direct to you.

Your money order for \$1.10 has been cashed by this office and \$1.00 thereof has been used for postage to forward your sand to the Salt Lake Office, and the \$1.00 forwarded to that office to cover the cost of the foregoing assay, a one-half-cent stamp being enclosed herewith to balance the amount received from you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shaperd, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 24, 1933

Assayer in Charge,
United States Assay Office,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith one dollar to cover an assay for gold of a box of sand which I am forwarding you under separate cover recently sent to this institution by W. C. Hemingway, 409 State Bank Building, La Crosse, Wisconsin, returns to be made direct to him.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T
Enclosure-
carbon copy to Mr. Hemingway.

May 25, 1933

Mrs. A. B. Hendricks
1142 South 71st Street, Apt. 3
West Allis, Wisconsin.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 22nd instant and while you do not state the character of the gold bonaerding which you desire information as to the smallest amount accepted by the Mint, I assume that you have reference to old gold and I am enclosing herewith a circular letter which I believe will give you full information in the premises.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

Enclosure

Stamped envelope returned

May 25, 1922

Mr. Lawrence Marshall,
Superior, Wyoming.


Dear Sir:

Your two bottles of black sand have been received with your letter of the 22nd instant and you are advised that this Institution is not equipped at the present time to make assays of material of this kind.

I would suggest that you forward samples to the United States Assay Office, Salt Lake City, Utah, which will make you gold and silver determinations at a cost of \$1.00 for each metal - money order for the proper amount to accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the samples you have forwarded here, please send us the necessary postage and insurance at your earliest convenience as our mail space is very limited.

Respectfully,


Mark V. Sharpe, Superintendent

MS:V

May 25, 1933

Mr. Elmer Mackey,
Topeka City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 17th instant, I have delivered to Carl Elmeron, Mack Building, this clip, the gold button recently forwarded by you to this institution, weighing 1.01 Troy ounces, with the request that he make you an offer on the purchase of same.

Respectfully,


J. Edgar Hoover, Superintendent

OH:7

May 25, 1935

Mr. E. C. Garothers,
Broken Bow, Nebraska.


Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of recent date, I have delivered to Carl W. Cook, Mack Building, this city, the four medals recently forwarded to this institution by you having a total weight of 2.96 troy ounces, with the request that he make returns direct to you.

Trusting this will meet with your approval, I

am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

50,

May 25, 1923

Wm. S. Pierson,
Russell Springs, R.F.D. No. 1
Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the pieces of material forwarded by you to this Institution, I have to advise that while the Mint does not make assays of articles of this kind, the piece marked No. 1 is pyrites of iron, and No. 2 is ~~arsenic~~, neither of which have any value in the precious metals.

If you desire the return of these pieces to you, please forward the necessary postage for that purpose at your earliest convenience, otherwise they will be thrown away as our vault space is very limited.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Sheard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 25, 1933

Mr. Fred DeCham,
Moline, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 22nd inst and accompanying consignment weighing upon receipt here 1.72 troy ounces, I regret to say that this deposit is too small to be accepted for purchase by the Mint - two full troy ounces of gold being the minimum accepted.

If you can send approximately one-half of an ounce more of similar material, I should be glad to have you do so, but if this can not be done at an early date, please forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this material to you.

Answering the latter part of your letter, you are advised that no shipments have been received from any of the parties mentioned by you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 25, 1923

Eale Jewelry Company, Inc.,
Ninth & Indiana Streets,
Wichita Falls, Texas.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your consignment under date of the 22nd instant, consisting of 61.39 troy ounces of filled ware and 11.66 troy ounces of gold, I regret to say that owing to the large amount of base metal contained in your filled ware, it will be necessary for you to send not less than 15 ounces of sterling silver to be added to your consignment to render it acceptable for purchase - the regulations requiring that deposits must have a value of at least \$100.00 and contain not less than one-fifth of their weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver. I am therefore holding your deposit without treatment until further advised by you in the matter.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

May 28, 1933

Mr. Howard H. Cherry,
Central City, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your recent weighing upon receipt here 4.41 troy ounces, I have to advise that the regulations of the Mint require that a letter of advice be received by us covering each deposit before they may be entered on our books for treatment and purchase. Upon receipt of such a letter from you pertaining to your shipment, it will have my prompt attention.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

May 25, 1932

Mr. Charles W. Lochen,
P. O. Box 556,
Idaho Springs, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Relative to your letter of the 23rd instant and accompanying consignment weighing 68/100 of a troy ounce, I have to advise that two full troy ounces of gold is the minimum deposit accepted for purchase by the Mint.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your button will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 20, 1938


J. H. Benfield, Inc.,
Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Gentlemen:

Regarding your consignment of the 20th instant, weighing upon receipt here 9.62 troy ounces, I have to advise that the platinum ring included therein has been removed from your material for return to you as the Mint does not purchase platinum.

Kindly forward me the necessary postage and insurance covering the cost of returning this ring to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 25, 1923

Mr. Hugo W. Miller,
222 Grand Avenue,
Tucson, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I am very much interested in the information contained in your letter of the 20th instant and have referred same to the Director of the Mint at Washington for her information and such action as may seem proper in the premises.

Thanking you for bringing this matter to my attention, and with best wishes, I am

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 28, 1933

Mr. A. L. Walters,
8742 South Morgan Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 23rd instant and in reply regret to say that it would not be possible for the Mint to issue you a permit to buy old gold in any locality where the local authorities have passed a contrary ordinance; nor does the Mint issue permits to any one in any locality under any circumstances to engage in such a line of business.

The Mint is glad to accept deposits from one who obtains them legally, but you can readily see that it would not be feasible to encourage the gathering of old gold in any locality where local authorities are opposed to such action.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 26, 1933

Mr. Ben Marshes,
423 Loucke Building,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 23rd instant, in which you request return in fine gold bar as payment for your deposit shipped on the same date, I have to advise that under the executive order of the President of the United States, no gold coin or gold bars may be issued in payment for gold deposited at the Mint, and it will therefore be necessary for me to liquidate payment of this deposit by check on the Treasurer of the United States.

Please advise me promptly if this will be satisfactory to you and if I shall proceed to treat your deposit.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 25, 1933

William L. Lane,
White Oaks, New Mexico. Box 53

Dear Madam:

I have your small consignment consisting of 2.92 troy ounces of jewelry scrap and 47/100 of an ounce of re-torts and grains, and regret to advise that the Mint can not purchase this material as jewelry scrap is not purchased in lots having a value under \$100.00, nor freshly mined gold in amounts less than two full troy ounces of gold.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance all of these items will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

May 25, 1933

Max Valley Loan Company,
923 Livestock Exchange Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 23rd instant, I have to advise that it is contrary to the regulations of the Mint to furnish any information concerning deposits without the written consent of the depositor. However, I would advise that you apply to the Maxwell Land Grant Company for copies of the returns on any deposits made by its lessees, as duplicate returns and payment are invariably sent to that company, which deducts such royalties as pertain to the deposits in question.

A few deposits have been received from the Ute Creek Milling Company but I do not recall any from the Ute Creek Gold Placer Company. Owing to the fact, however, that all of these deposits come through the Maxwell Land Grant Company, it is not always possible for the Mint to furnish the name of the lessee.

Respectfully,


Frank V. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

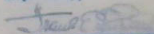
May 26, 1933

ROGERS - Jeweler,
Thermopellis, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your package containing industrial scrap gold and have to advise that no deposits are entered on our books for treatment and purchase until a letter of advice has been received from the depositor. You are therefore requested to write me promptly concerning this consignment.

Respectfully,



Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 26, 1933

Mr. J. C. Glenn,
Kirkland, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your bottle of natural grains, weighing 4.09 troy ounces, and have to advise that no deposits are entered on our books for treatment and purchase until a letter of advice pertaining thereto has been received from the depositor. You are therefore requested to write me promptly concerning this material, stating the source from which this gold has been produced.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OW:T

May 26, 1933

Mr. Rex Barlegi,
Hagerman, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment consisting of reverts, weighing upon receipt here 2.07 Troy ounces, and have to advise that no deposits are entered on our books for treatment and purchase until a letter of advice has been received from the depositor. You are therefore requested to write me promptly regarding this material, stating the source from which this gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OW:T

May 26, 1933

The Rhodes-Harbridge Jewelry Company,
111 East Main Street,
Trinidad, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your package of industrial
scrap, weighing upon receipt here 12.21 troy ounces, and
have to advise that no deposits are entered on our books for
treatment and purchase until a letter of advice pertaining
thereto has been received from the depositor. Please ad-
vise me promptly regarding this consignment.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 26, 1923

Mr. C. Henderson,
Dalla Fournelle, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 22nd instant, you are advised that all gold accepted for deposit at the Mint is paid for at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold, less the ordinary melting and treatment charges applying on the deposit.

The Mint will accept placer gold in lots as small as two full troy ounces, or over, each consignment to be accompanied by a letter of office stating the source from which the gold has been produced.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

May 26, 1923

Mr. Cole Johnson, Cashier,
First National Bank,
Hatch, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 25th instant,
enclosed in the canvas bag with the metal forwarded by
you to the Mint, I have to advise that this metal consists
of brass granulations and is of no value.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insur-
ance this metal will be returned you. Please forward this
at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,


Frank T. Shepard, Superintendent

May 26, 1922

Hermosa State Bank,
Att: Mr. E. S. Brockett, Cashier
Hermosa, South Dakota.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 24th instant, you are advised that the Mink pays \$20.00 for each troy ounce of placer gold 1000 fine contained in deposits, less \$1.00 for melting and a nominal treatment charge which varies with the amount of base metal contained in the deposit.

Trusting this is the information desired by you,

I am

Respectfully,

Wm. F. Shepard, Superintendent

OS:7

May 26, 1933

The American National Bank,
Silver City, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your two consignments under date of the 24th instant, the first weighing 5.97 troy ounces and the second 1.17 troy ounces, the latter being 83/100 of an ounce less than stated on your invoice. Will you please advise me if this latter weight is satisfactory to you and if you desire these two lots treated separately or combined in one deposit.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OW:T

May 26, 1933

Kruger Jewelry Company, Inc.,
Wichita Falls, Texas.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your consignment under date of the 20th instant, you are advised that after melting and assaying this material, its value has been found to be considerably under \$100.00 which, as you have been previously advised, is the minimum amount accepted for purchase.

I have accordingly rejected your deposit as required by the regulations and imposed thereon our melting charge of \$1.00 which you are requested to forward us by money order at your earliest convenience.

In order to render this material acceptable for purchase by the Mint, it will be necessary for you to forward not less than \$25 in good gold to be added to this bar, but before the bar may be resubmitted for treatment, the charges above mentioned will have to be paid.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 27, 1923

Mr. Guy Orloske,
249 East School Street,
Owatonna, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your deposit under date of the 20th instant, weighing upon receipt here 8.13 troy ounces and consisting of two bars and one button, I have to advise that after melting and assaying this material its value has been found to be greatly below \$100.00 which is the minimum accepted for purchase.

Your resultant bar has accordingly been rejected as required by the regulations and our melting charge amounting to \$1.00 imposed thereon which you are requested to forward me by money order at your earliest convenience.

If you desire to reenter this bar as a deposit at the Mint, it will be necessary for you to send good gold having a value of not less than \$50.00 to be added thereto in order that your deposit will have the minimum amount required. Before further action may be taken, however, the above must be paid, and you are requested to give this matter your prompt attention.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 27, 1933

Mr. Ben Morris,
1315 Douglas Street,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your shipment under date of the 25th instant, I have to advise that upon receipt here your material weighs 12.36 troy ounces instead of 100 Dets., which would equal 16 ounces, as stated by you.

I am holding this material without treatment and have to request that you will advise me promptly if the weight as received here meets with your approval.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

May 29, 1935


Mr. Claude B. Cain,
Van Buren, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 26th instant and under separate cover your miscellaneous articles of old gold, etc., and have to advise that deposits of this character must have a minimum value of \$100. As your material falls greatly below this amount in value, you are requested to forward me the necessary postage and insurance for its return to you.

In this connection, please be advised that consignments to the Mint should not have included therewith the works of old watches.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

May 20, 1933

Mr. Benjamin T. Hadley,
New Castle Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 24th instant and consignment of nine nuggets under separate cover, weighing upon receipt here 1.63 troy ounces, I have to advise that two full troy ounces of gold is the very least the Mint may accept for purchase. I would therefore suggest that you send approximately one half ounce more of similar material to go with this consignment to give it the required weight. If this should not be convenient, your nuggets will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 29, 1933

Pearlone Mining Company,
Attention: Mr. E.A. Martin, Manager,
Custer, South Dakota.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment under date of the
25th instant, I have to advise that your two retorts upon re-
ceipt here weigh 6.05 troy ounces in lieu of 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ounces as stat-
ed by you.

Please advise me promptly if the Mint weight meets
with your approval.

Respectfully,

~~Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent~~

GHT

May 29, 1933

Mr. Alvin Pahn,
Northpark, Washington,

Dear Sir:

Replying to your note of the 23rd instant, I have to state that if the boulder to which you refer ~~weighs~~ from \$2.00 to \$25,000.00 in gold, it would probably pay you to ship it to a smelter. The Mint can not accept as a deposit material of this kind.

I would suggest before you make any arrangements to ship this material, you ascertain definitely that it contains gold as mentioned by you by having a reliable assay made thereof.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 29, 1933

Mr. Richard C. Wilson,
Fruita, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your recent letter, please be advised that the Mint does not deal in old coins in any manner and I am therefore unable to tell you if collectors are paying a premium on the so-called Lincoln head pennies, nor can I refer you to any dealers, not having the addresses of such parties.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Stamped envelope returned

May 29, 1935

Mrs. Gertrude E. Han,
Kimberley, Nevada. Box 131

Dear Madam:

With reference to your letter of the 22nd instant, please be advised that the coin mentioned by you is probably one of the earlier one-cent bronze pieces issued by the United States during the year mentioned by you. In view of the fact, however, that the Mint does not deal in old coins, I am unable to give you any definite information or refer you to any dealers in such articles.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 29, 1933

Fernandez Mercantile Company,
P. O. Box 1554,
Clifton, Arizona.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your letter of the 23rd instant, I have to advise that your nuggets and grains upon receipt here weigh 3.80 troy ounces in lieu of 5.80 ounces as stated by you. I am therefore holding your material without treatment and have to request that you will advise us promptly if the weight as received here meets with your approval.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 29, 1933

Mr. E. S. LaFero,
La Junta, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 25th instant relative to your assignment received here on the 22nd instant, you are advised that check in payment therefor was mailed you on the 25th instant and I have no doubt it is now in your hands.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:2

May 29, 1923

Mr. J. E. Bestover,
Monahans, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your note of the 22nd instant and in reply have to advise that your old gold chain weighing 55/100 of a troy ounce is not acceptable as a deposit at the Mint as deposits of this kind are not accepted for purchase which have a value under \$100.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your chain will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

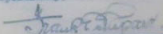
May 29, 1935

Mr. John A. Martindale,
Route No. 1,
Blackfoot, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I have your note of the 27th instant and in
reply have to advise that I am unable to furnish you any
information regarding the red paint used by Indians for
painting their faces.

Respectfully,



Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

May 29, 1933

DeViney Jewelry Store,
Mr. Paul W. Still, Manager,
Delta, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 26th instant and your consignment of old gold forwarded under separate cover, I note in your postscript you state that it your belief this material contains some platinum for which you desire check to cover. The Mint does not purchase platinum nor undertake to separate it from the other metals contained in deposits for return to the depositor.

I am therefore holding your material without treatment and have to request that you will advise us promptly if you are willing to waive any platinum values which may be contained therein.

In this connection I have to advise that silver is acceptable for purchase when included in gold deposits.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

US:7

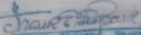
May 29, 1933

Mr. W. J. Mahoney,
111 West Congress Street,
Tucson, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 25th instant, I regret to say that I am unable to furnish you any information as to what cities or sections of the country have not been canvassed by parties buying old gold jewelry as such buyers are not in any sense acting as agents of the Mint which simply buys their material when forwarded here in acceptable condition and quantities.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shaper, Superintendent

CH:7

Stamped envelope returned.

May 27, 1922

H. E. Hawley Company,
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 25th instant, I have to advise that your 14 lbs. of gold filled wire which upon receipt here 100 Troy ounces in lieu of 100 ounces which would be equivalent to 14 lbs. Troy.

The 10 ounces of waste silver forwarded by you will be insufficient to offset the larger amount of base metal contained in your deposit and in order to carry this material through, it will be necessary for you to send 10 ounces more of high-grade silver in order that your deposit will contain at least 200 assay parts of the precious metals out of a possible 1000.

Kindly forward this additional silver at your earliest convenience and upon its receipt your deposit will be entered for treatment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

May 29, 1933

Mr. Fred H. Weinman,
Buena Vista, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of recent date and have to advise that the piece of metal forwarded by you consists of brass and therefore not acceptable as a deposit at the Mint. This metal will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CE:T

May 29, 1932

Mr. Roy Nelson,
Bismarck, North Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Before any deposits may be entered upon our books for treatment, the regulations require that a letter of advice concerning each shipment be received by us. While a slip placed in the package with the material is a good precaution, this slip can not be accepted in place of a letter and you are therefore requested to write me promptly regarding your consignment received here on the 26th instant.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

May 29, 1933

Mr. Charles W. Lerchen,
P. O. Box 886,
Idaho Springs, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 26th instant,
I have this day returned to you by insured mail the small
amount of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase,
using 13¢ of the 25¢ in postage enclosed with your letter
for that purpose and returning herewith 12¢ in change to
balance.

Regretting that the Mint could not purchase this gold
from you, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

May 29, 1933

Mr. F. H. Pollman,
LaCygne, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your shipment under date of the 26th instant, consisting of industrial scrap weighing 19.68 Troy ounces, please note that this weight is nearly an ounce less than the weight stated in your letter of advice and before proceeding to treat this material, I would appreciate your advice as to if the weight as received here meets with your approval.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:2

May 29, 1933

Mr. William S. Haas,
101 East First Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 27th instant and in reply beg to advise that deposits are usually paid for within six days after their receipt. Payment is always expedited as much as possible but owing to the large number of deposits being received, it not unfrequently takes that much time to ascertain their value and issue check in payment.

Regarding your request to be advised as to the average value of gold plated and gold filled goods per ounce before it is refined, I regret to say that owing to the great variation in the quality of such material, it would be impossible for me to give you any definite information on this subject, although gold plated ware is seldom worth what it costs to be refined and when such material, as well as gold filled articles, is forward here for purchase, silver of at least one-fourth of the weight of the plated and filled ware should be included to offset the large amount of base metal therein contained.

The Mint requires that each deposit shall contain at least one-fifth of the weight in the precious metals, under which condition deposits should have an average of five karats fine and a total value of at least \$100. Gold averaging five karats fine would have an approximate value of \$4.30 per troy ounce.

Respectfully,


Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:V

May 29, 1933

Mr. C. H. Graden,
Silver City, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your postal card of the 27th instant, I have to advise that placer gold free from sand and other foreign substances, is purchased by the Mint when the assignment contains at least two full troy ounces of gold. Shipments should be forwarded by registered or insured parcel post and be accompanied by a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:2

May 29, 1933

Mr. A. Wiman,
C/o Service Jewelers,
1915 1/2 Main Street,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have to advise that yourconsignment of the 27th
instant weighs upon receipt here 29.31 troy ounces in lieu of
575 Dets. and 20 grains, which would have a equivalent of
29.75 troy ounces, as stated by you.

Please advise me promptly if the weight of this gold
as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 29, 1923

Mr. W. C. Cassaway,
C/o General Delivery,
Twin Falls, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 26th instant, I have to state that the contents of the small bottle included therein have been removed from your deposit, as these fillings are brass and have no value, which fillings have a weight of 15/100 of a troy ounce.

Trusting this will be satisfactory to you, I

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T


May 29, 1933

Mr. Franklin T. Pingree,
Dillon, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 25th instant in which you request that payment for ~~your account assignment to~~ be forwarded to Butte, Montana, via air mail and have to advise that I will be unable to comply with this request as there is no fund from which the charges by air mail could be paid - the regulations not permitting any deductions from the proceeds of deposits for such purposes. If you will forward the necessary money or air mail stamp to be used in this connection, I shall be glad to comply with your request.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 29, 1933

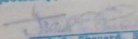
Mr. Fred Gleaser,
P. O. Box 7,
Naco, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I have your consignment under date of the 26th instant, consisting of Mexican gold coin having a value of \$83.00 and have to advise that such deposits are not accepted when their value is under \$100.

If you can increase the value of this consignment to \$100.00, I shall be glad to have you do so, otherwise it will be returned you by express, charges collect. Please advise me promptly regarding your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

May 31, 1933

Dr. Frederick Borchers,
413 1/2 Fourth Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 26th instant, the latter, including paper and contents, weighing 10.84 troy ounces, and have to advise that it does not appear that your gold will have a value of \$100.00 which is the minimum amount accepted for purchase.

In this connection I have to say that it does not expedite the liquidation of deposits to attempt to refine them before shipment is made to the Mint, as upon receipt here all deposits are melted in order to obtain a correct assay of their gold and silver content and I would suggest that you forward your gold in the condition in which you collect it without previous treatment.

It would be impossible for the Mint to determine the exact weight or approximate value of consignments when received in the condition such as you have in the case of this present consignment, and should it be accepted and found to be insufficient in value and fineness to comply with the Mint's regulations, all charges incurred up to the time of its rejection would have to be imposed thereon.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your deposit will be returned you, unless you desire to forward the necessary gold to give it a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content of not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

May 31, 1933

The American Furniture Company,
Attention: Mr. G. F. Hook, Collection Manager,
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your letter of the 25th instant concerning the indebtedness of H. G. Russell to your company, please be advised that I have brought this matter to Mr. Russell's attention and he states that he will see you promptly and make satisfactory arrangements for the liquidation of this debt. I would suggest that you call on him at the address which you should be able to find.

Respectfully,

Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

UHT
Stamped envelope returned

May 31, 1933

Mr. L. F. Minder,
 620 North 7th Street, New Orleans,
 Fayette, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 26th instant and accompanying sample of black sand, I have to advise that the Mint does not make assays of material of this kind and your sample will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

If you desire to have this sand analyzed, I would suggest that you send a sample to the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, where reliable work of this kind can be done for you at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount payable to that office to accompany your sample.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:7

May 31, 1933

Mr. F. S. Hersinger,
Willard, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 25th instant forwarding watch case weighing upon receipt here 3.37 troy ounces, for addition to the small amount of mined gold previously received from you, I regret to say that only deposits of the latter class of gold are accepted in lots as small as two troy ounces and that deposits made up of both manufactured and mined gold are not accepted when their value is under \$100.

I would therefore suggest that you send the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this case and the \$2/100 of a troy ounce of virgin gold previously forwarded by you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 21, 1933

Mr. John Fielden,
Silver City, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 17th instant you are advised that the Mint will accept deposits of placer gold in lots as small as two troy ounces and over, but all black sand and quartz should be removed before forwarding it to the Mint.

Shipments may be forwarded by insured parcel post or registered mail and be accompanied by a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been obtained.

As far as I am advised, the fact that the Government is now off the gold standard will have no effect on the price to be paid by the Mint for gold contained in deposits accepted for purchase.

Respectfully,

Frank T. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 31, 1923

Mr. F. E. Shick,
General Delivery,
Stockton, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 29th instant, I have to state that so far as I am aware there will be no change in the price paid for gold contained in deposits accepted by the Mint owing to the fact that the United States is now off the gold standard.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:T

May 31, 1933

Mr. Morris Rosenberg,
Corsicana, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 27th instant and accompanying consignment of industrial scrap weighing 35.69 troy ounces, and regret to advise that this material can not be accepted for purchase as the regulations of the Mint prohibit the acceptance of deposits which do not contain a value of at least \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

It will therefore be necessary for me to return your material to you unless you can add some high-grade gold to this deposit to enable it to comply with the foregoing requirements. You are requested to send me the necessary postage and insurance if you desire it returned to you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Sheperd, Superintendent

GM:T

May 21, 1933

Dr. W. A. Walsern,
408 Safety Building,
Rock Island, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 29th instant and in reply regret to say that the President of the United States recently prohibited the sale of gold or its payment for the gold contained in deposits accepted at the Mint for purchase; under which conditions, it would be impossible for me to sell gold in any quantity.

Regretting that I can not assist you in this matter,

I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 31, 1933

Vogel Jewelry Company,
1647 South Jefferson Avenue,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your request of the 27th instant for a supply of deposit blanks, I have to advise that our stock of these blanks is entirely exhausted and I do not anticipate a new supply for an indefinite period. In the meantime, should you make any shipments to the Mint, kindly accompany same with a letter of advice stating the approximate weight of your material, which will serve equally as well as the use of these blanks.

Respectfully,


Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

May 31, 1933

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Company,
Denver, Colorado:

Gentlemen:

I have to acknowledge with thanks the receipt
of your voucher-check, No. 21285, in amount \$1.74, covering
commission on collections from telephone booths in this
Building Nos. 25-9725 and 25-9972 for the period April 19th
to May 10th, 1933.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Skelton, Superintendent

CH:3

May 31, 1923

Mr. Martin A. Larson,
General Delivery,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Sir: I am enclosing a copy of our letter of the 25th inst.

I have your letter of the 25th inst. and in reply have to advise that while your requests have been for an explanation of the charges imposed on deposits for melting, it appears that you do not understand that in addition to such charges there is also a treatment charge which is based upon the amount of base metal contained in the deposit, to which charge you will find reference in the circular to which you have heretofore referred giving instructions as to the conditions under which deposits are accepted at the Mint.

I am enclosing a copy of our table of charges from which you will note that when deposits are of very low fineness in gold and have a base metal content of 750 assay parts or over out of a possible 1000, a treatment charge amounting to \$1.00 per gross ounce is imposed - this charge having been applied to both of your deposits to which you make reference.

I find that in both of these cases only \$1.00 was imposed for melting and you can materially reduce the amount of these charges by including in your shipments a generous amount of high grade silver which would lower the base metal content accordingly.

For your information, I will say that an analysis of the charges imposed on your deposit of May 3rd is as follows:

Melting	\$ 1.00
Parting and refining at \$1.00 on 122.90 troy ounces	10.45
Alloy02
Total	\$11.47

If you will refer to the memorandum of returns forwarded with my check you will note that the gold fineness of this deposit was 124 1/2 and its silver fineness .008.

I trust this will fully explain the matter which has been causing you so much trouble.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosures

May 31, 1933

National Surety Corporation,
 Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith Assumption of Liability
 Certificates pertinent to the bonds of James E. Hapenny and
 William F. Hapenny, numbered, respectively, 7047680 and
 7047689, in favor of the United States of America and have
 to call your attention to the fact that the middle initial
 in both cases as noted by you is in error. I therefore have to
 request that the middle initial of Mr. Hapenny be written "H"
 and that of Mr. Hapenny "W". The error made in each case
 is in the middle initial. Kindly return the enclosed certificates after they
 have been corrected accordingly and oblige,

Respectfully,

Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

Enclosures

June 1, 1933

American National Bank,
Silver City, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

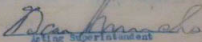
Referring to your notation on my letter to you under date of the 26th ultimo relative to your two consignments weighing, respectively, 5.57 troy ounces and 1.17 troy ounces, I regret to say that I can not comply with your request to treat these two lots separately as the second lot weighs under two troy ounces which is the minimum that may be so treated. In order to accept the second lot therefore, it will be necessary to combine it with the first lot, thus making one deposit of the two for which one check will be issued in payment.

Please advise us if this will meet with your approval.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

CH:T

June 1, 1933

Mr. W. J. Laughlin,
1504 Harrison Street,
Davenport, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I have your letters and assignments under date of the 19th ultimo and have so advise that your two lots weigh upon receipt here 11.53 troy ounces and 9.28 troy ounces instead of 18 1/2 ounces and about 21 ounces, respectively, as stated by you. In both cases your boxes were completely filled and the packages received in good condition.

In view of the fact that the regulations require that deposits of such material have a value of at least \$100.00 as well as a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit, it will be necessary to combine these two lots in order that the deposit will have a value of \$100.00 and you are requested to advise me promptly if they may be so combined and if the weight as received here meets with your approval.

Respectfully,

Frank C. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Dean Minich
Mining Superintendent

June 1, 1933

Buena Gold Mines Inc.,
Mr. J. W. Filant, President & General Manager,
Hid-3, Nevada.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 29th ultimo and in reply will say that this institution will be glad to receive your gold when forwarded in lots of two full troy ounces, or over, provided the quicksilver has been distilled off your material.

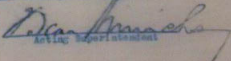
Consignments should be accompanied by a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been obtained.

I am enclosing a copy of our table of charges for your information in the premises.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

CH:T
Enclosure

Frank E. Shepard.
Superintendent

Collect at LaCrosse

June 1, 1933

Missouri Loan Office,
404 Edmond Street,
St Joseph, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 31st ultimo and have to advise that your material when received here weighs 30.45 troy ounces in lieu of approximately 17 ounces as stated in your letter of advice. Please advise me if our weight is satisfactory.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Dean Branch
Acting Superintendent

CH:T

June 1, 1933

Mr. Bert Rogers,
P. O. Box 157,
Entiat, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your note and consignment under date of the 29th ultimo, you are advised that your material upon receipt here weighs 7.83 troy ounces instead of 9 ounces as stated by you. Please advise me promptly if our weight is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Dean Marshall
Acting Superintendent

CH:T

TEXAS JUNE 7, 1937

THOMAS EDWIN THOMAS
MILWAUKEE WISCONSIN

PAID BY YOUR DEPOSIT TO THE BANK OF AMERICA AND TRUST CO. OF
NEW YORK SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS WHICH WERE DEPOSITED AND THE BANK
THIRTY FIVE DOLLARS AND CENTS. REMITTING BANK TO THE TWENTY
THREE AND SEVEN FIFTY, SEVENTEEN. REMITTING TWO DOLLARS THREE
CENTS TO THE BANK.

Frank E. Sheppard

Collect Charges of Milwaukee

June 2, 1933

Mr. W. C. McCoy,
Broadway & Cleveland,
Cushing, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of a consignment bearing your name but to date have not received from you a letter of advice concerning this shipment.

In view of the fact that the regulations do not permit the entry of deposits on our books until a letter of advice has been received from the depositor, you are requested to write us promptly regarding this deposit.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 2, 1928

Mr. T. D. Seal,
Theresa, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of a consignment bearing your name but to date have not received from you a letter of advice concerning this shipment.

In view of the fact that the regulations do not permit the entry of deposits on our books until a letter of advice has been received from the depositor, you are requested to write us promptly regarding this deposit.

Respectfully,

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Frank E. McJaff, Superintendent

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June 2, 1933

Mr. Fred De Camp,
Molina, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 27th ultimo, I have to advise that while I have no record of the gross weight of your package to which you refer, the retort contained therein weighed 1.72 troy ounces.

If you weighed your package on avoirdupois scales that would account for some difference in weight as there are 12 ounces in the troy pound and 16 ounces in the avoirdupois pound.

In accordance with your request, I am holding this 1.72 troy ounces of gold until you can make your next shipment if that will be done within a reasonable time.

Respectfully,


Frank N. Shepard, Superintendent

June 2, 1905

Mr. P. L. Ince,
Placerville, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your small consignment, weighing upon receipt here 81/100 of a troy ounce and unaccompanied by a letter of advice, and regret to advise that this gold may not be accepted as a deposit at the Mint as the regulations prohibit the acceptance of deposits weighing less than two full troy ounces of gold.

Unless you can send enough more of similar material to give your deposit the required weight, it will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

June 2, 1933

Mr. A. C. Stahl,
4312 Charlotte Street,
Kansas City, Missouri.

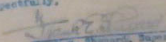
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your package containing two envelopes of industrial scrap, weighing upon receipt here 11.79 Troy ounces and unaccompanied by a letter of advice, and have to state that this material does not appear to contain a value of \$100.00 which is the minimum amount accepted for purchase by the Mint.

If you can send approximately as much more of similar material to be added to this lot to give it the required value, I shall be glad to have you do so, otherwise, it will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Please accompany any shipment you may care with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 2, 1933

Mr. John F. L. Miller,
Cotton Hill,
Toledo Basin, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of 27th instant, I have this day returned to you by insured mail the metal forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using \$10 of the \$20 in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and retaining herewith \$20 in change to be sent.

Regretting that the Mint could not purchase this material from you, I am

Respectfully,

Frank F. Bennett, Subtreasurer

By *Edna H. Hinchey*
Chief Clerk

CCV

Enclosure

June 2, 1983

As requested in your letter of the 27th instant,
I have this day returned to you by insured mail the platinum
ring included in your recent shipment to the Mint, under
664 of the 2s in postage enclosed with your letter for that
purpose and retaining herewith 21/ in stamp to balance.

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Donna M. ...
Letter Superintendent

Introduction

June 2, 1938

Mr. G. E. Eagle, Cashier,
Federal Reserve Branch Bank,
San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 24th instant, I have this day returned you by registered mail the two foreign coins forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using the RVs in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose.

Regretting that the Mint could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Sincerely,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

Frank W. Shepard
Acting Superintendent

CGT

June 2, 1937

J. H. Schmidt & Son,
Clinton, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

Revering your letter of the 21st ultimo, please be advised that gold-filled and gold-plated jewelry is accepted under the same conditions applying to solid gold, namely, that deposits shall have a value of at least \$100.00 and that there shall be present at least one-fifth of the weight of the material in pure gold, or pure gold and silver.

In view of the fact that gold-filled and gold-plated ware contains a large proportion of the base metal, it will be necessary that your consignments have a value of \$100.00 to include therewith enough high-grade silver to give at least one-fifth of the weight of your material in the precious metal.

I may also add that our treatment charges are based on the amount of base metal contained in deposits and you should include as much high-grade silver as you can in order that these charges may be reduced accordingly.

Respectfully,

Frank L. Shepard, Superintendent

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Barth

June 7, 1933

Lillian L. Lane,
White Oaks, New Mexico. Box 22

Dear Madam:

As requested by you I have this day returned to you by insured mail the jewelry scrap, retorts and grains forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using \$5. of the \$9. in postage furnished by you for that purpose and retaining herewith a five-cent stamp to balance.

Regretting that the mint was unable to purchase this material from you, I am

Respectfully,

Frank F. Shepard, Superintendent

BY

W. C. Minich
Acting Superintendent

LLT

Enclosure

June 2, 1923

Mr. Al. W. Benson,
500 1/2 Fifth Street,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

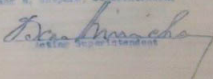
I have to acknowledge the receipt of a communication bearing your name but as date have not received from you a letter of advice concerning this shipment.

In view of the fact that the regulations do not permit the entry or deposit on one block ~~only~~ a letter of advice has been received from the Senator, you are requested to write us promptly concerning this deposit.

Respectfully,

Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

CHS

June 2, 1935

Mr. E. E. Voss,
Room 300, 400 Euclid Avenue,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of a remittance
bearing your name but to date have not received from you a
letter of advice concerning this shipment.

In view of the fact that the regulations do not per-
mit the entry of deposits on our books until a letter of ad-
vice has been received from the sender, you are requested
to write us promptly regarding this deposit.

Respectfully,

Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Ben M. Smith
Acting Superintendent

CH:1

June 2, 1923

Dr. C. B. McGill,
2021 South Fifth Street,
Springfield, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your recent shipment consisting of dental work and teeth, you are advised that consignments of this character are not accepted when their value is under \$100.00, under which condition it will be necessary for you to forward us the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this material to you.

Please be advised that before deposits may be entered on our books for treatment, a letter of advice from the depositor must be received by us, no advice having been received from you in connection with this deposit. It is also necessary that teeth and other foreign substances be removed from consignments before they are forwarded to the Mint.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By *Frank E. Shepard*
Acting Superintendent

June 2, 1937

Mr. M. Falk,
200 South Main Street,
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

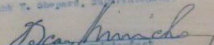
I am in receipt of your recent consignment weighing upon receipt here 5.80 Troy ounces, and have to advise that while the value contained in this material will likely be close to \$100.00, which is the minimum amount accepted for purchase, I would suggest that you forward some additional good gold to be added thereto in order that your deposit will comply with the requirements of the Mint.

Please be advised also that no deposits are entered on our books for purchase unless accompanied by a letter of advice - no letter having been received from you in connection with this deposit.

Respectfully,

Frank T. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

CH:T

June 2, 1933

Mr. H. Kemp Welch,
Ballard, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 30th ultimo, you are advised that freshly mined gold is accepted in lots as small as two full tray ounces of gold, and manufactured gold in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00 and a precious metal content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposits. All shipments in all cases to be accompanied by a letter of advice and if of freshly mined gold, to state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

At the present time the Mint is paying at the rate of \$20.67 for each tray ounce of pure gold contained in deposits, less the usual treatment charges imposed by the Mint.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

cc

W. H. Brown
Acting Superintendent

WHS

June 2, 1932

Mr. W. E. Mount,
101 West Fourth Street,
Pueblo, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your consignment under date of the 26th ultimo, you are advised that after melting and assaying your metal, its value has been found to be greatly below \$100.00 which is the minimum accepted for purchase, and its base metal content is in excess of the maximum which deposits may contain.

I have accordingly rejected your deposit and imposed thereon our melting charge of \$1.00 which you are requested to forward me by money order at your earliest convenience.

To enable your metal to meet the requirements of the Mint, it will be necessary for you to forward good gold having a value of at least \$70.00 and about 15 ounces of high-grade silver to reduce its base metal content within the limits prescribed by the Mint. Before this bar may be reentered, however, the foregoing charges must be paid.

Respectfully,

Frank T. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Edna [Signature]
Mining Superintendent

June 2, 1933

Mr. John W. Ayer,
Boise, Idaho. Box 2213

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 30th ultimo, I have to advise that no change has been made relative to the price paid for gold contained in deposits at the Mint, this payment being at the rate of \$35.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold contained in deposits accepted for purchase.

Should you forward any material here for purchase, kindly accompany same with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Dwyer, Superintendent

By

Dea. Minich
Acting Superintendent

CE:2

June 2, 1933

Mr. Elmer Spencer,
Grangermont, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 30th ultimo and accompanying consignment, you are advised that upon receipt here your material weighs 6.91 troy ounces instead of 10 1/2 ounces as stated by you.

Please advise me promptly if the mint's weight meets with your approval.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

cc

Frank E. Shepard
acting Superintendent

CH:T

June 3, 1933

Mr. William E. Humphreys,
701 Colorado Building,
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 2nd instant and
your small king and grains of gold, weighing 1.26 troy ounces,
I regret to say that the Mint can not accept this small amount
for purchase as two full troy ounces of gold has been fixed
by the Treasury Department as the very minimum which may be
accepted.

If you can add the additional amount required, I
shall be glad to have you do so, otherwise, it will be necessary
for you to call at the Mint for this bullion, or send us the
necessary postage and insurance for its return to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepley, Superintendent

By

Benjamin
Acting Superintendent

CH:K

June 2, 1933

Mr. H. C. McCoy,
Broadway at Cleveland,
Cushing, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 31st ultimo, weighing upon receipt here 30.45 troy ounces, I have to advise that in view of the fact that the regulations require that deposits shall contain at least one-fifth of their weight in the precious metals, it will be necessary for you to send about 8 ounces of sterling silver to be added to this material in order that it will comply with the foregoing regulation, and in order that your deposit may also have a value of \$100.00, which is the minimum accepted for purchase. I would suggest that you include a couple of ounces of good gold to be added to this lot.

In the meantime, your deposit is being held without treatment pending further advice from you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

D. C. Brinley
Acting Superintendent

GR:T

June 2, 1933

Mr. Horatio Vago,
Silver City, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Replying to the last paragraph of your letter of the 21st ultimo, I have to advise that so far as I am aware there is no objection to your buying gold in small quantities for resale to the Mint. Such deposits should be accompanied by a letter of advice which should state the locality from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Dean Minichay
Acting Superintendent

CH:T

June 2, 1935

Mr. Ben Cason,
Silverton, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 31st ultimo, the letter weighing 25.62 troy ounces and consisting of crushed rock, I have to advise that the Mint does not accept material of this kind, it being necessary that the gold be separated from the rock before being forwarded here.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your material will be returned you and I am returning in this envelope the small pieces of gold enclosed with your letter, of which the Mint does not buy less than \$100.00 in each deposit.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Don Minich
Acting Superintendent

CH:2

Enclosure

June 3, 1933

Midwest Platinum Company,
Attention: Ethel White,
Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 1st instant, requesting payment of your deposit by Western Union money order, using test word "Avalon", I have to advise that this request can not be complied with, the regulations prohibiting any deductions being made from checks in payment or deposits to cover any charges for telegraph or otherwise.

I am forwarding you check on the Treasurer of the United States in payment of your deposit and in future if you desire payment forwarded in cash, it can be sent at your expense and risk by registered mail or by express, deducting from the cash payment the necessary charges. However, in no case can payment be made by telegraph.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OM:T

June 3, 1933

The Public Service Company of Colorado,
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find four copies of Treasury Department Forms Nos. 8624 A and B, for supplying gas and electric current, respectively, at this institution during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1933.

Kindly execute and return all copies to me for approval at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Chief
Electrician

June 5, 1933

The Public Service Company of Colorado,
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find four copies of Treasury Department Forms Nos. 8624 A and B, for supplying gas and electric current, respectively, at this institution during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1933.

Kindly execute and return all copies to me for approval at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:V
Enclosure

June 2, 1923

Mountain State Telephone & Telegraph Company,
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find four copies of Standard
Form No. 40, which you are requested to execute and re-
turn to me at your earliest convenience, for supplying tele-
phone service at this institution during the summer term
beginning July 1, 1923.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OS:2
Enclosure

June 3, 1933

Mr. Fred Berchert,
General Delivery,
Central City, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Answering your postal card of the 1st instant,
I have to advise that placer gold free from foreign sub-
stances is accepted at the Mint in lots as small as two
troy ounces of gold when accompanied by a license or cer-
tificate stating the source from which the gold has been ob-
tained.

Respectfully,

Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 3, 1933

Mr. E. C. Bowers,
6009 North 71st Street,
Rockford, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I have your consignment under date of the 10th ultimo, weighing upon receipt here 76.89 troy ounces and have to advise that as 61.72 troy ounces thereof consist of gold filled articles which contain but a small amount of gold and a large amount of base metal, it will be necessary for you to forward 20 or 25 ounces of sterling silver to be added to your material in order that the regulation of the Mint requiring that each deposit shall contain at least one-fifth of its weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver, shall be complied with.

In the meantime, your deposit is being held without treatment until advised as to your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

cm:v

June 3, 1928

La Crosse Gold Refinery,
Attention: Mr. George E. Hulingsway,
La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your consignment No. 510 under date of the 21st ultimo, weighing upon receipt here 55.71 troy ounces, 15.52 troy ounces of which consist of dental amalgam, I have to advise that this amalgam has been excluded from the report as the value contained therein in silver would be exceedingly small and so much here actual would only increase the treatment charges to be imposed on your deposit without increasing its value proportionately. This amalgam will therefore be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Trusting this action will meet with your approval,

I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

63.7

June 3, 1923

Mrs. A. B. Hendricks,
1148 South First Street, Apt. 3,
West Allis, Wisconsin.

Dear Madam:

Answering your letter of recent date, please be advised that the least amount of freshly mined gold accepted by the Mint for purchase is two troy ounces of gold and if it has been accumulated with mercury, ~~the latter~~ should be drawn off before the material is forwarded to the Mint.

Kindly accompany any consignments with a letter of advice and state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank R. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 3, 1933

Mr. J. H. Palmer,
Dubuque, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a consignment from you consisting of two gold rings, weighing 2.42 troy ounces, and have to advise that no deposit may be entered on our books for treatment and purchase until a letter of advice pertaining to same has been received from the depositor. Your material is therefore being held without treatment pending the receipt of a letter from you, which letter should state the source from which this gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 5, 1925

LOUIS FINE MINE,
Mr. S. O. Miller, Superintendent,
Golden, Idaho.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 20th ultimo, I have to advise that payments for the deposits mentioned by you were forwarded to Mr. F. C. Miller, 725 Riverview Boulevard, Clarkston, Washington, together with remittance of returns, no request having been made that duplicate copies of the returns be sent to you.

Duplicate copies of the returns on these deposits have been mailed to you and this practice will be continued in the future.

Respectfully


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

WET

June 3, 1933

Mrs. A. T. Grove,
125 Water Street,
Santa Cruz, California.

Dear Madam:

Answering your letter of the 29th ultimo, I
have to advise that it does not appear from our records that
Ed Black has made any deposits at the Mint.

Sincerely,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:7

June 3, 1933

Mr. H. J. Elyman,
718 West 8th Street,
Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Your dental scrap weighing 4.41 troy ounces has been received but it is insufficient in value to be purchased by the Mint - it being necessary that deposits of this character have a value of not less than \$100.00 and contain at least one-fifth of their weight in pure gold or pure gold and silver.

If you can send enough more of similar material to give this lot the required value, I shall be glad to have you do so, otherwise, it will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 3, 1933

Mr. Louis Ellis,
Metcalf, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your grains of gold, weighing upon receipt here 1.77 troy ounces, and have to advise that inasmuch as the regulations do not permit me to accept for purchase deposits of this character weighing less than two full troy ounces of gold, it will be necessary for you to forward the necessary postage and ~~insurance~~ ^{cost} for return of these grains to you, unless you can send at least 25/100 of a troy ounce more of similar material to be added to this lot to give it the required weight.

Please be advised also that no deposits may be entered on our books for treatment and purchase until a letter of advice pertaining to same has been received from the depositor. In the case of mined or placer gold, this letter should state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,

Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

June 3, 1933

Mr. Frank Nolan,
Alamosa, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Your consignment consisting of grains weighing 1.32 troy ounces has been received but owing to the fact that two full troy ounces is the minimum amount accepted for purchase it will be necessary to return this gold to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

If you are able to send enough additional material to increase this deposit to the required amount, I shall be glad to have you do so, in which case kindly state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

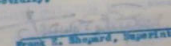
June 3, 1923

Mr. Charles E. Winantson,
Mercantile Building,
Cancun, Sonora, Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 20th ultimo, advising of a shipment now in transit and asking if gold coin could be issued you in payment of this deposit, I regret very much that this request can not be complied with as the President of the United States recently issued an Executive Order inhibiting the payment of gold coin as ~~such~~ ~~and~~ deposits purchased by the Mint. While I do not believe this is a permanent inhibition, it precludes the possibility of such payment at the present time, otherwise, I would be very glad to comply with your request.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 3, 1933

Mr. Carl Blunk,
2214 East Harrison Street,
Spokane, Washington,

Dear Sir:

Your retorts and grains, heavy with mercury, have been received, weighing upon receipt here 1.18 troy ounces, and have to advise that in view of the fact that two full troy ounces of gold is the minimum the Mint can accept for purchase, it will be necessary for you to forward the required postage and insurance for the return of this material to you, unless you can send some clean gold practically free from mercury to give your consignment the required gold value.

Please be advised also that no deposits are entered on our books for treatment and purchase until a letter of advice pertaining to same has been received from the depositor. In the case of mined or placer gold, this letter should state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 5, 1933

Mr. L. W. Bailey,
Ohio City, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your two buttons weighing one and a half troy ounces, and regret to advise you that the Mint can not purchase this gold from you as two troy ounces of freshly mined gold is the least amount the regulations permit -- to accept.

If you can send a little over half an ounce more to go with these buttons in order that your deposit will have the required weight of two full troy ounces, I should be glad to have you do so, otherwise kindly send the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this gold to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 8, 1935

Mercantile Jewelry Company,
205 North Broadway,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 3rd instant and have to advise that all the articles contained in your deposit received here on the 29th ultimo were melted at that time and check in payment was forwarded you on the 3rd instant. Under these circumstances, it is impossible for us to return you the ring to which you call attention.

In this connection, please be advised that all deposits are melted prior to payment, and I regret that the ring desired by you has been destroyed.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

June 8, 1933

Mr. L. Davies,
Forest, Sierra County,
California.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of recent date relative to a \$5 gold piece purported to be coined by the Beaver Mint, I have to advise that there must be some error in regard to this date as no coinage was executed at ~~that time~~ ~~anywhere~~ prior to 1906. In 1860-1, however, some private coining was done in this city by Clark Gruber & Company.

The Mint does not deal in old coins and if the coin to which you call attention is one of those manufactured by the firm mentioned, any information regarding same would have to be obtained from some private coin collector.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OS:T

By stamp returned

June 5, 1933

Schneff Brothers,
176 Chicago Street,
Evanston, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 21st ultimo and have to advise that your deposit to which you refer has been rechecked and I do not find that any error has been made by this institution as to the pure gold content contained therein and for which check has been forwarded you.

I note that the gold content of your deposit consisted of $48\frac{1}{2}$ assay parts out of a possible 1000 which would be a trifle less than 12-karat, the latter having a fineness of 800.00 assay parts out of a possible 1000.

In this connection, I have to state that deposits are melted into a bar when received at the Mint and then assayed by different assayers to determine the value in pure gold and silver, and these assays must check before payment is made.

I am always glad to correct any error that has been made but I do not find that you failed to receive full payment for the value of the gold and silver contained in this deposit.

Respectfully,


Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

June 8, 1923

Assayer in Charge,
United States Mint,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sir:

In view of the fact that it will be necessary to close our receipt of deposits for the fiscal year on June 15th, I have to request that if you have any bars for shipment in addition to those which have ~~not been~~ ----- your office, you will kindly forward such bars in time to reach here not later than June 15th.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shugart, Superintendent

CH:V

June 5, 1953

Mr. Morris Rosenberg,
General Delivery,
Corsicana, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of recent date requesting that money order or check be forwarded you by air mail, a five-cent air mail stamp being enclosed with your letter for that purpose, and have to advise that for the past year or more air mail postage has been 8¢ and it will therefore be necessary for you to send 7¢ additional postage to cover the expense of air mail.

I also have to advise that payment can not be made you by money order, but if you desire, cash can be forwarded you by registered mail at your expense and risk, or check will be forwarded you by air mail promptly upon receipt of the proper amount of postage.

Please advise us promptly of your wishes in this

matter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 5, 1935

Miss Nellie G. Key
Hotel Dixon,
12th Street & Baltimore Avenue,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 2nd instant requesting information regarding the integrity, ability and honesty of Mr. J. C. Brown, mining engineer, and in reply have to advise that while I do not recall having Mr. Brown, it is contrary to the policy of the Mint to recommend any one.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OM:F

Stamp returned

June 8, 1933

Cerrillos Mercantile Company,
Cerrillos, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 2nd instant, I have to advise that check in payment of your deposit was mailed you on the 3rd instant, the delay in this case having been due to the fact that several days before the close of each month, it is necessary to close our accounts for that month in order that all charges and other accounts may be made up and forwarded to Washington by the first of the succeeding month and deposits received in the meantime are put on the following month's receipts. As your deposit was not received until the last days of May, it was entered as of June 1st and payment made you as promptly as possible.

Trusting that you have now received this payment,

I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:V

June 5, 1933

Mrs. E. B. McAfee,
1593 Loma Vista,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 30th ultimo, I regret that I am unable to comply with your request for certain coins of this institution as under the regulations of the Mint Application Act and more recently as ordered to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

The ten-cent piece enclosed with your letter is returned herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:T
Enclosure

July 5, 1923

George Kadin Company,
943 North Third Street,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 3rd instant, I
have to advise that the receipt of deposits for this fiscal
year will close with those received on June 17th and all
deposits received subsequent to that date to July 1st will
be paid for as of July 1st and as soon thereafter as it may
be possible to do so.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 5, 1893

Mr. Claude B. Cain,
Van Buren, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 31st ultimo, I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post the miscellaneous articles of old gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase. ~~Value \$25.00 of the said to be returned herewith~~ with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith \$4.00 in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

June 6, 1933

Mr. Pete Duncker,
C/o James S. Evans,
113 South Kimball Avenue,
Grand Island, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter without date, I have to advise you that the Mint can not make remittance in payment for bullion by telegraph. We can make remittance in cash by registered air mail, but it will be necessary for us to deduct these mail charges from the net amount of your deposit.

Your deposit was received yesterday and it will be several days before payment can be made.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

June 6, 1933

Mr. Harry Helten,
Missouri Loan Office, 404 Edmund Street,
St. Joseph, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Referring to my letter of June 1st regarding the weight of your recent consignment to the Mint and to your reply of the 3rd instant, I have to state that in some way the weight of your material of 80.46 troy ounces as stated in my letter was an error, the correct weight of this material being 17.27 troy ounces.

I have entered your deposit for treatment and payment will be made you in due course.

I regret exceedingly that this error should have occurred and that there has been a delay in entering your material for treatment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

HCP:T

June 6, 1933

Mr. H. A. Pease,
Twin Bridges, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 1st instant and of the ballion mentioned therein which weighs upon receipt here 10.31 troy ounces instead of 11.60 ounces as stated by you.

The package was intact on receipt here but as the difference is considerable, I am holding your material without treatment and you are requested to inform me promptly if our weight is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

SEP:7

June 6, 1933

Mr. F. H. Thompson,
Upton, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 3rd instant,
enclosing gold filled watch case containing the document,
and have to advise that this material is unsuitable for the
Mint use and it will be returned upon receipt of the necessary
postage and insurance. Deposits of articles of this character
must have a value of at least \$100.00 to be accepted for pur-
chase by the Mint.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

SEP:1

June 6, 1933

Midwest Platinum Company,
Attention: Etherl White,
Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 2nd instant and of the scrap gold for which you wish payment made by telegraph, using the code word "Ivalon." In this connection please refer to my letter to you of the 2nd instant covering a prior shipment.

Your material has been entered for treatment but payment will be withheld awaiting advice as to the manner in which you wish payment sent to you. Your early attention is requested.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

June 6, 1933

Mr. Ben Hershen,
P. O. Box 1618,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 1st instant, I have to advise you that since the President's executive order was issued we have not been able to make payment for gold deposits in gold bars.

I would suggest that you write to your nearest Federal Reserve Bank for definite information in this respect.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

SEP 7

June 6, 1933

Mr. Fred De Camp,
Molina, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant and the retort mentioned therein weighing 1.46 troy ounces which is to be added to your previous retort weighing 1.72 troy ounces.

I am unable to make separate returns on the net weight of each of these retorts inasmuch as neither one of them have a weight of two full troy ounces.

Your material has been entered for treatment and payment will be made you in due course.

Regretting that I am unable to comply with your request for separate returns on these deposits, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

WFF:T

June 6, 1933

General Supply Committee,
Federal Warehouse,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 29th ultimo referring to my order No. 238 for cheesecloth remnants, please be advised that the reference should be Class 27-C-290.

The material covered by my order was listed in the catalogue for 1932 as "27-95(d)" which is cheesecloth remnants for wiping purposes.

Enclosed please find new order with the correct specification.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

June 6, 1933


Mr. Franklin T. Pingree,
Butte, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 2nd instant, please be advised that check, in amount \$124.11, covering your deposit under date of the 26th ultimo, was mailed you on the 2nd instant, the day before the receipt of your special delivery air mail letter, and I have no doubt this check is now in your hands.

The air mail stamp enclosed with your letter are returned herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

T.
Enclosure

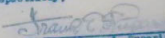
June 6, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank Branch,
San Antonio, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your advice No. 3434 regarding remittance on your shipment of gold coin to this institution, please be advised that check to cover this deposit, in amount \$247.47, is being mailed you this date.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

T.

June 6, 1933

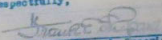
American National Bank,
Silver City, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your note on my letter to you of the 1st instant, I have this day returned to you by express, charges collect, your small consignment weighing 1.17 troy ounces.

Regretting that the Mint could not purchase this gold from you, I am

Respectfully,


Frank T. Shepard, Superintendent

T.

June 6, 1933

Mr. Ernest P. Patterson,
404 North 8th Street,
Lamar, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 2nd instant and accompanying sample of sand, please be advised that this material is not acceptable as a deposit at the Mint, nor does the Mint make analyses of sand or rock.

A reliable assay of your material will be made for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount payable to that office to accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the sample you have forwarded here, please send me the necessary postage.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

T.


June 7, 1933

Mr. Lewis Trustee,
1021 East 3rd Street,
Pueblo, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 2nd instant and the gold enclosed by you which you state weighs $3\frac{1}{2}$ ounces. Upon receipt here your material weighs 3.08 troy ounces and as this difference is considerable, I am holding your deposit without treatment and have to request that you will inform me promptly if our weight is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

June 7, 1933

Mr. Samuel Gordon
209 Majestic Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma


Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 3rd instant and the scrap gold mentioned therein have been received. This material consists of 11.44 troy ounces of good gold and 32.96 troy ounces of filled articles.

The presence of so much filled ware makes the base metal content more than 800 parts out of a possible 1000 and I estimate that it will require the addition of at least 15 ounces of sterling silver to reduce the proportion of base metal below 800 parts.

Your prompt attention is requested in this matter as we will close our books for the fiscal year about June 17th and all bullion not entered for treatment by that time can not be paid for until July 1st.

Respectfully,


FRANK W. SHEPARD, SUPERVISOR

GR:T

June 7, 1933

Mr. F. W. Lee,
Tennessee Gold Refining Company,
125 South Court Avenue,
Memphis, Tennessee.

Dear Sir:

Replying to the last paragraph of your letter of May 29th asking if silver and gold-filled material will be accepted by the Mint separate from gold, I have to advise you that there has been no change in the regulations regarding the receipt of such material, that is, the value must be at least \$100.00 and the gold and silver content not less than 200 assay parts out of a possible 1000.

Respectfully,


Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

June 7, 1935

Mr. J. V. Rollins,
245 Massachusetts Avenue,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 24th relative to the weight of your four gold buttons covered by your shipment of May 15th, last. I have had to postpone answering your letter because of the delay in receiving information from the express company relative to the weight of the package. I am now informed by the company that the gross weight of this package was 6-1/2 pounds - equivalent to 94.5 troy ounces, instead of 127-1/4 ounces as stated by you. From this information, it would seem that our weight of 69.77 troy ounces was the correct one for your material.

In this connection, please be advised that your letter of May 15th did not give the weight of your consignment and had it been given, your attention would have been called to the discrepancy before the material was entered for treatment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

WCF:T

June 7, 1935

Mr. Orville R. Owens,
144 West 47th Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 15th instant, please be advised that since the issuance of the President's Executive Order, the Mints have not been permitted to sell any gold.

In this connection, I would suggest that you apply to the Federal Reserve Bank in your city for information regarding the necessary requirements to secure the gold bar you wish.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

June 7, 1923

Mr. William Frink,
Mystic, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your inquiry under date of the 5th instant regarding payment of your deposit of the 27th ultimo, please be advised that check, in amount \$27.01, was mailed you yesterday and will probably be in your hands before this letter reaches you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

T.

June 7, 1933

W. H. Ray Market,
Durango, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your retorts weighing 2.43 troy ounces and have to advise that no deposits may be entered for treatment until a letter of advice has been received from the depositor and your material is therefore being held pending the receipt from you of such a letter which should state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

T.

June 7, 1933

Mr. G. W. Orasky,
216 - 9th Avenue, North,
Manga, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a package from you containing a small bottle of mercury and have to advise that deposits of this character are not acceptable for purchase by the Mint - two full troy ounces of gold being the least amount accepted and in all cases the mercury must be driven off before forwarding to the Mint.

In this connection, you are also advised that all deposits are entered on our books for treatment and purchase until a letter of advice has been received from the depositor.

If you desire the return of this small bottle of mercury, kindly forward the necessary postage for that purpose.

Respectfully,


FRANK E. SHAPS, Superintendent

June 7, 1923

Mr. Ben Keap,
Apache Creek, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 2nd instant in which you state you are forwarding a sample of sand and rock for assay, I have to advise you that the Mint is not equipped to do work of this kind but reliable assays can be made for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount payable to that office to accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the sample you are forwarding here, please send us the necessary postage for that purpose.

Respectfully,


Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

June 7, 1923


Mr. Ben Kemp,
Apache Creek, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 3rd instant in which you state you are forwarding a sample of sand and rock for assay, I have to advise you that the Mint is not equipped to do work of this kind but reliable assays can be made for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount payable to that office to accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the sample you are forwarding here, please send me the necessary postage for that purpose.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

DENVER JUNE 8, 1933

E S PETTY
BAKER OREGON

CHECK MAILED YOU RED BIRD MINE WHITNEY OREGON JUNE
SIXTH SIX HUNDRED SEVEN POINT SIXTY EIGHT DOLLARS


Superintendent Mint

Collect charges at Baker

June 8, 1933

Federal Gold Refiners,
409 Toy Bank Building,
Sioux City, Iowa.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter and consignment of May 27th, last, I have to inform you that upon melting your material, it has been found to contain more than 800 parts of base metal out of a possible 1000 and I have been obliged to reject it and impose a melting charge of \$1.00, which you are requested to remit by money order. It is also doubtful if your material has a value of \$100.00, which is the minimum accepted.

If you wish to reenter this material as a new deposit, it will require the addition of at least 5 ounces of sterling silver to reduce the proportion of base metal content and I wish to suggest that you send at least one or more ounces of good gold to make certain that the value will be \$100.

If you can not send this additional material, your bar will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, but before any further action may be taken by me, the charge of \$1.00 must be paid. Your prompt attention is requested as our books for the fiscal year will be closed about the 17th instant and any deposits received after that date can not be paid for until July 1st.

Respectfully,


Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

BCF:T

June 8, 1933

Mr. Robert Pherson,
Box 414,
Victor, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and accompanying consign-
ment under date of the 6th instant, please be advised that
upon receipt here your retort weighs 4.37 troy ounces, in-
stead of about $5\frac{1}{2}$ ounces, more or less. Before proceeding
to treat this material, I have to request that you will ad-
vise me if the weight as received at the Mine is satisfactory
to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent


June 8, 1933

Mrs. Harry Mednick,
1712 Van Buren Street, Apt. 4,
Amarillo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 6th instant, please
be advised that check, in amount \$197.50, in payment of your
two consignments was mailed you on the 6th instant and you
no doubt have received it by this time.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

June 6, 1933

Mr. C. E. Gish,
Battle Mountain, Nevada.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your consignment of the
2nd instant which you state weighs 7.33 ounces. Upon receipt
here your package was intact but weighed 6.36 troy ounces.

As this discrepancy in weight is considerable, your
attention is called to the matter and I have to request that
you will inform me promptly if our weight is satisfactory to you.

Please be advised that our books will close for the fis-
cal year about June 17th and any deposits not entered for treat-
ment by that time can not be paid for until July 1st.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

BCF:T

June 6, 1933

Mr. J. N. Martin,
156 West Manhattan Street,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 5th instant and your shipment under separate cover. An examination of this material shows that it is not gold but sand with a heavy iron content.

If you wish this material returned to you, please forward the necessary postage, otherwise it will be thrown away.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

BEP:F

June 8, 1933

Mr. W. H. Noel,
Assistant Cashier,
Citizens-First National Bank,
Pawhuska, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th instant and your shipment under separate cover. An examination of your material shows it to be pyrites of iron and of no commercial value.

If you desire the return of this material to you, please forward the necessary postage, otherwise it will be thrown away.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

RCF:Y

June 2, 1933

Mr. J. E. Paul,
Jefferson, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a package from you containing nuggets and grains, weighing 7.20 troy ounces, and have to advise that under the regulations of the Mint no deposits may be entered on our books for treatment and purchase until a letter of advice has been received from the depositor. Please write me promptly concerning this shipment and state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

In this connection, please be advised that our books will be closed for the fiscal year about June 17th and deposits received after that date will not be paid for until July 1st and after.

Respectfully,


Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

June 9, 1933

Hermosa State Bank,
Hermosa, South Dakota.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a package bearing your name and address and consisting of natural grains weighing 9.71 troy ounces, and have to advise that no deposits may be entered on our books for treatment and purchase until a letter of advice pertaining to same has been received from the depositor. Please write me promptly concerning this shipment and state the source from which this gold has been obtained.

In this connection, please be advised that our books will be closed for the fiscal year about June 17th and deposits received after that date will not be paid for until July 1st, or as soon thereafter as possible.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 9, 1933

Sawtooth Mercantile Company,
Atlanta, Idaho.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a shipment from you, unaccompanied by a letter of advice, consisting of two kings and grains, weighing 3.17 troy ounces, and two retorts and grains, weighing 1.73 troy ounces, and have to advise that the first lot may be treated as a separate deposit, as it has the required weight, but the second lot can not be treated and paid for separately - two full troy ounces being the minimum.

The two lots may be combined as one deposit and one check forwarded you in payment, or the first lot will be accepted and the second returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance. I will await your advice in this matter and in your reply kindly state the source from which this gold has been obtained.

In this connection, you are advised that our books will be closed for the fiscal year about June 17th and deposits entered after that date will not be paid for until July 1st, or as soon thereafter as possible.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 9, 1933

Mary C. Austin,
1903 North 8th Street,
Boise, Idaho.

Dear Madam:

I am in receipt of a package from you, unaccompanied by a letter of advice, containing watch and chain weighing upon receipt here 4.50 troy ounces, and regret to advise you that I am not able to accept this material for purchase, as deposits in the form of manufactured articles must contain a value of at least \$100.00 in order to be accepted. Your watch and chain will therefore be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

Y.

June 9, 1923

Mr. W. C. McCoy,
Broadway at Cleveland,
Cushing, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 5th instant, please be advised that as requested by you, I have removed 10.22 troy ounces of filled articles from your consignment of May 31st and this material is being returned you by express, charges collect. The remainder of your material amounting to 20.24 troy ounces has been entered for treatment and payment will be made you in due course.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:V

June 9, 1933

Mr. Walter E. Klauberg,
602 West 17th Street,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 5th instant and accompanying watch chain and two small pieces, weighing upon receipt here 1.28 troy ounces, and regret to advise you that I am unable to accept this material for purchase.

The regulations of the Mint do not permit the acceptance of deposits of old gold having a value under \$100.00 and as your material will not contain that value, it will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

T.

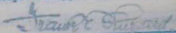
June 9, 1935

The First National Bank,
Hatch, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of the 3rd instant, I have returned to you by insured parcel post the metal forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 25¢ of the \$2. in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 27¢ in stamps to balance.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

T.

Enclosure

June 9, 1933

Mr. Frank Nolan,
General Delivery,
Durango, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 5th instant, I have returned to you by third class mail insured, the small amount of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 19½ cents of the 45¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 25¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you in this matter, I am

respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

T.

Enclosure

June 9, 1923

Mr. W. W. Miller,
Chic City, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with your request under date of the 6th instant, I have returned to you by insured mail the two buttons forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 10¢ of the 20¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith two one-cent stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank C. Shepard, Superintendent

T.

Enclosure

June 9, 1923

Mr. F. T. Herkinger,
Willard, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of the 2nd instant, I have returned to you by insured mail the watch case forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using \$14 of the 43¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 12¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

T.

Enclosure

June 9, 1933

Mr. T. G. Hatheway,
Assayer in Charge,
United States Assay Office,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Mr. Hatheway:

In response to instructions of the Director of the Mint, we are shipping you today by express, two of our standard 1000-ounce gold bullion molds of gray cast iron, which sizes are the nearest we have to conform to the dimensions specified in your letter to the Director of May 22nd.

Our standard 1000-ounce gold bullion mold has the following dimensions:

Top Inside	8-1/4" long x 4-3/8" wide, rounded corners
Bottom "	7-13/16" x 3-15/16" " "
Depth "	4.75"
Capacity	158 cubic inches, equivalent to about 1600 Troy ounces, when mold is poured full to top.

We use rounded corners as this produces better castings of molds and gold bullion bars are smoother at edges than where square corners are used on the inside of the mold.

Molds of the dimensions specified in your letter of May 22nd have a capacity of about 223 cubic inches, equivalent to about 2363 ounces, Troy, of gold when mold is poured full to top.

Our chrome-nickel alloy molds are out of stock but we have ordered some and will ship you two molds of chrome-nickel alloy, our standard 1000-ounce, in about one week.

Trusting this will assist you in your operations,

I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

FMS:T
Government B/L NO. T-110181 enclosed.

June 9, 1933

Mr. J. Shafian,
1316 Main Street,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I have just received your air mail letter of the 5th instant requesting me to hold your shipment of the 7th instant until further notice.

Your shipment was received yesterday and was melted before the receipt of your letter. I have withdrawn your bar and if you wish it returned you, it will be necessary for you to pay our melting charge which \$1.00.

If you wish me to proceed with the assay and payment of your bar, the \$1.00 charge above mentioned will be deducted from the value of the deposit.

Deposits for the fiscal year will close about June 17th and it will therefore be necessary to inform me promptly as to your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 9, 1933

Mr. M. C. Helms,
Victor, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant, please be advised that the Mint will accept your placer gold and you may ship it in its present condition. It should be wrapped securely so that none will be lost in transit.

Please furnish a letter of advice, giving the weight as accurately as it can be determined by you, and also state the source from which you received it as stated in your letter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

June 9, 1933

Star Engraving Company,
3201 Buffalo Drive,
Houston, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your shipments Nos. 32, 33 and 34 of the 6th instant. No. 33 is valued by you at \$25.00 and could not be accepted as a separate deposit with separate assay returns as the value is less than \$100.00 which is the minimum of such material that may be accepted. If you desire this lot could be combined with No. 34 and separate returns made on their combined weight.

Your prompt attention is requested as our deposits will close for the fiscal year about June 17th and deposits not entered for payment by that time can not be paid until July 1st or later.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:2

June 2, 1933

Hanser-Miller,
115 North Eleventh Street,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 6th instant, please
be advised that the Mint does not sell silver in any quantity.

You may be able to buy this metal from the American
Smelting & Refining Company and I would suggest that you ad-
dress its office in the Equitable Building in this city.

Respectfully,


Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

SCF:T

June 9, 1933

Mr. Chauncey E. Porter,
264 Fifth Avenue,
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 5th instant, please be advised that all applications for new or uncirculated coins must be made to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington as per the enclosed circular.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

T.

Enclosure

DENVER June 10, 1923

LACROSSE GOLD REFINING
LACROSSE WisconsinPAYMENT YOUR DEPOSIT FIVE TEN MAILED JUNE ^{EIGHT} ~~SEVEN~~ AMOUNT
NINETY NINE POINT TWO SEVEN DOLLARS.Superintendent Mint

Collect charges at Lacrosse

June 10, 1923

Mr. J. V. Rollins,
243 Massachusetts Avenue,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 7th instant and of your consignment by express which you state weighs 60 ounces. Your consignment, consisting of one bar, weighs upon receipt here 74.11 Troy ounces, and as this difference is considerable, I am holding your bar without treatment and have to request that you will notify me promptly if our weight is satisfactory to you.

In this connection please be advised that our deposits for the fiscal year will close about June 17th and all consignments not entered for treatment by that time can not be paid until July 1st or later.

Referring to the last paragraph of your letter relative to a prior shipment, please be advised that a reply was mailed you on the 7th instant which you no doubt have received by this time.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 10, 1933

Lacrosse Gold Refinery Company,
Attention: Mr. G. D. Hemingway,
Lacrosse, Wisconsin.

Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 8th instant and also of your telegram of the 9th [answer to which was wired you today] relative to your consignment No. 510 which was received here on the 3rd instant as per my letter to you of that date.

Answering your criticism regarding the delay in receiving payment for this deposit, please be advised that the number of deposits being received taxes our capacity to the limit and all deposits are paid for just as rapidly as is consistent with the best interests of both the depositor and the Government.

The law requires that all deposits must be treated in the order in which they are received, so that we can not therefore give preference to any depositor.

As stated above your deposit was received on the 3rd instant and as prior deposits had precedence, we were unable to melt it until the 5th and after that it was necessary to take assay samples and make the necessary calculations of fineness and value before payment could be made.

In this connection, please be advised that our books for the fiscal year will close about the 17th instant and deposits not entered for treatment before that date will not be paid for until July 1st or later.

Answering the last paragraph of your letter, I have to state that we have not received any instructions from the Mint Bureau that will permit us to accept deposits of scrap gold in lots less than \$100.

Please be advised that the stamps mentioned in your letter were not found enclosed upon receipt here.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 10, 1933

Mr. H. H. Jeffrey,
Durango, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment under date of the 5th instant, weighing upon receipt here 7.42 troy ounces, and have to advise that it does not appear that this material will have a value of \$100.00 and to avoid needless expense to you in melting this material and finding its value below the minimum of \$100.00, I would suggest that you send about two ounces more of similar material to be added to this lot to make sure it will meet the requirement of the Mint as to value.

Please give this matter your immediate attention as our books for the fiscal year will be closed about June 17th and deposits entered after that date will not be paid for until July 1st or later.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 10, 1933

Mr. Dan Oasen,
Silverton, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your note on my letter to you of the 2nd instant I have this day returned to you by insured mail the crushed rock forwarded by you to this Mint, which could not be accepted for treatment and purchase.

I have used 21¢ of the 22¢ in postage forwarded by you for that purpose and on returning herewith 2¢ stamp to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

T.

June 8, 1933

Mr. H. B. Sayser,
Wichita, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and deposit of recent date, the latter weighing upon receipt here 5.22 troy ounces, and have to advise that in view of the fact that such deposits must contain a minimum value of \$100.00 in order to be accepted by the Mint, it will be necessary for you to forward at least two troy ounces more of similar material to give your deposit the required value. In the meantime your deposit is being held without treatment.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 12, 1933

The Camp Bird, Ltd.,
Durky, Colorado. Drawer K

Gentlemen:

I am herewith enclosing copy of telegram which I have received from the Honorable Secretary of the Treasury at Washington, which is self-explanatory and I am forwarding this to you in compliance with the instructions contained therein in order that all domestic miners and refiners from which the Mint receives deposits may be advised of its contents.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

June 12, 1935

The Golden Cycle Corporation,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I am herewith enclosing copy of telegram which I have received from the Honorable Secretary of the Treasury at Washington, which is self-explanatory and I am forwarding this to you in compliance with the instructions contained therein in order that all domestic miners and refiners from which the Mint receives deposits may be advised of its contents.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

June 12, 1933

Honestake Mining Company,
Lead, South Dakota.

Gentlemen:

I am herewith enclosing copy of telegram which I have received from the Honorable Secretary of the Treasury at Washington, which is self-explanatory and I am forwarding this to you in compliance with the instructions contained therein in order that all domestic miners and refiners from which the Mint receives deposits may be advised of its contents.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:2
Enclosure

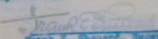
June 12, 1923

The Winfrey Dental Supply Corporation,
Attention: Mr. C. L. Franks,
9206 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant, I have to advise that payment of the deposit to which you refer was forwarded to Mr. E. E. Vann, as requested by you. on the 8th instant, this being the earliest date payment could be made in view of the large number of deposits being received. I have no doubt this check has reached Mr. Vann by this time.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 12, 1903


Mr. D. G. Johnson,
Alamogordo, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 9th instant, you are advised that the Mint will accept deposits of placer gold which have a weight of at least two full troy ounces of gold and which are free from sand and other foreign substances.

You may forward your gold by insured or registered mail or by prepaid express as you prefer and accompany same with a letter of advice stating the approximate weight and the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7
Stamped envelope returned

June 12, 1928

Mr. E. S. Peck,
Trust Department,
First National Bank,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dear Sir,

I have your letter of the 10th instant and under separate cover your two bottles of water with some gold and have to advise that two full troy ounces of gold is the very least accepted for separate treatment and purchase. As neither one of your bottles contains that amount and as the gold should be dried before forwarding it to the Mint, I would suggest that you send me the necessary postage and insurance for the return of these bottles to you.

If you can add enough to each lot to bring the weight of each up to two full troy ounces, I shall be glad to have you return your material to the Mint when your request for separate checks will be complied with.

Respectfully,


Frank V. Shepard, Superintendent

June 12, 1923

Mr. A. C. Dennison,
Rawlins, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 10th instant, I have to advise that placer or freshly mined gold is accepted by the Mint in lots of two full troy ounces, and over, of gold, each consignment to be accompanied by a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 12, 1933

Mr. John P. L. Walker,
Cobos Mine,
Tonto Basin, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 9th instant, your button weighing upon receipt here 1.94 troy ounces, and I regret to say that the Mint can not purchase this gold as the minimum weight of such deposits accepted for purchase is two full troy ounces. It will therefore be necessary for you to send approximately 10/100 of an ounce of gold to go with this lot. Should this not be convenient for you, kindly forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this button to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:2

June 12, 1933

Allice L. Magee,
Corvallis, Montana. Box 364

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 8th instant and accompanying piece of dental gold and have to advise that deposits of this character are not accepted when their value is under \$100.00.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

GR:T

June 12, 1933

Mr. Arthur E. Hall,
United States Smelting, Refining & Mining Company,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 9th instant and am glad to note you contemplate forwarding your bullion to this institution for purchase and have to advise that while bars weighing 2000 ounces each could be handled, it would be more convenient if your bullion could be put into bars of approximately 1000 ounces each, or less, as you prefer.

Bullion is assayed to the quarter thousandth and paid for accordingly at the rate of \$20.67 per fine ounce, less the customary treatment charges which you will note are fully set forth in the circular enclosed herewith.

While this institution is receiving a very large number of deposits, your bullion will receive as prompt attention as it may be possible to give it with payment forwarded you in due course. Kindly accompany each consignment with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

GR:T
Enclosure

June 12, 1933

Mr. M. J. Comstock,
Creede, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your consignment of the 10th instant, weighing upon receipt here 1.74 troy ounces and have to advise that if this is freshly mined gold, the minimum weight accepted is two full troy ounces, or if of manufactured gold, deposits must have a value of at least \$100.00, as well as a previous metal content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Assuming this to be freshly mined gold, it will be necessary for you to send approximately one half ounce more to add to this lot in order to render it acceptable for purchase.

Please advise us promptly regarding your wishes in this matter and if you desire the return of your gold, kindly forward the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:F

June 12, 1933

Hellie A. Braden,
Carrizozo, New Mexico.

Dear Madam:

I have your consignment of the 10th instant, weighing upon receipt here 1.32 troy ounces and have to advise that two full troy ounces of gold is the very least accepted for purchase and it will be necessary for you to forward at least one quarter of an ounce of similar material to be added to this lot.

Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,

Frank T. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 12, 1933


Mr. C. H. Taylor,
White Oaks, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a deposit from you, weighing 2.64 troy ounces, but to date have not received from you a letter of advice pertaining thereto, which is necessary before deposits may be entered on our books for treatment.

Kindly write us promptly regarding this consignment, stating the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

June 12, 1933

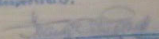
Primrose Jewellers Supplies,
215 Graft Building,
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 2nd instant weighing upon receipt here 72.74 Troy ounces, please be advised that the regulations require that a letter of advice, signed by the depositor, shall be received in connection with each deposit before it may be entered on our books for treatment and purchase. Although no such letter has been received from you, I have entered your deposit for treatment as our fiscal year closed with deposits received up to June 17th, and all deposits or letters pertaining thereto subsequent to that date will be treated as of July 1st.

In future you are requested to accompany your consignments with a letter of advice in order that your material will have prompt attention.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

08:7

June 13, 1933

The Denver Retail Grocers & Meat Dealers Association,
410 Patterson Building, Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of June 8th and in reply have
to advise that Mr. Krieger informs me that his wife, who
constructed the debt of \$9.88 with the Trent Grocery, mailed
that firm her check for said amount on the 7th instant.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 12, 1933

Mr. Willard L. Spaworth,
29 West Second South,
Pueblo, Wash.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 7th instant and am enclosing samples of rock and lava to advise that the following assays can be made for you by this institution at the prices indicated, money order payable to Superintendent United States Mint, Denver. For the proper amount to be received or as in advance:

Gold	-	\$1.00	Uran	-	\$2.00
Silver	-	1.00	Copper	-	1.00
Lead	-	1.00			

When forwarding the money order, please indicate which of these assays you desire and they will be made as early as practicable. Our Army Department at the present time is very busy with deposits.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Smith, Superintendent

June 15, 1933

Noble Gold Refinery,
301 City National Bank Building,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 5th instant, please be advised that at the present time gold may be purchased only through the Federal Reserve Bank or branches and I would suggest that you make application to the nearest one of these banks in your vicinity.

It was formerly permissible for the Mint to issue gold coin or fine gold bars in payment of the fine gold contained in deposits purchased by the Mint but under the President's Executive Order of April 28, 1933, this practice was discontinued and gold may be obtained now for use in the trades only in the manner above specified.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 12, 1923

Mr. Roger De Vere,
Robertsdale, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant concerning a one-cent bronze piece of the obverse of 1922, I regret to advise you that our stock of these coins has long since been exhausted and I am therefore unable to comply with your request for one of these coins.

The five-cent nickel enclosed with your letter is herewith returned.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

cc

W. B. Kinnick
Acting Superintendent

CR.V

Enclosure

June 13, 1933

Mr. E. C. Weatherly,
P. O. Box 226,
Guray, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your consignment under date of the 9th instant, I have to advise that your two retorts upon receipt here weigh 13.05 troy ounces, instead of 13 ounces as stated in your letter of advice.

Your package was received intact and I have to request that you will advise me promptly if this weight will be satisfactory to you - your material in the meantime being held without treatment.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Edna Bannister
Acting Superintendent

CH:F

June 12, 1935

Wells Mercantile Company,
Noria, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 9th instant and accompanying assignment and have to advise that your gold upon receipt here weighs 1.57 troy ounces which is being the same amount accepted for purchase, the latter being two Full troy ounces of gold.

Please you can send approximately one-half ounce more to go with this lot in the very near future, kindly forward us the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your gold to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

cc

Dean Finckley
Acting Superintendent

WES

June 13, 1933

Martin A. Larson,
General Delivery,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your shipment under date of the 8th instant, I have to advise that its weight upon receipt here is 35.31 Troy ounces, instead of about 60 ounces as stated in your letter of advice.

In view of the fact that our Fiscal Year closes on the 31st instant and all deposits received subsequent to that date will be held without payment until July 1st, I have proceeded to treat your material without awaiting your approval of this weight as I date you advise early payment and trust that my action in this matter will be satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Dean B. Smith
Acting Superintendent

CH:T

June 13, 1933

Meyers Loan Office,
319 Travis Street,
Houston, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your shipment under date of the 10th instant weighing upon receipt here 122.74 troy ounces, I have to advise that it will require at least 15 to 20 ounces of sterling silver to render this material acceptable for purchase by the Mint, which requires that all deposits must contain at least one fifth of their weight in the precious metals - gold and silver.

I am holding your material without treatment and have to request that you forward this silver at your earliest convenience and would suggest that you send as much silver as may be convenient as by so doing the treatment charges on this deposit will be decreased accordingly.

Respectfully.

Frank T. Shepard, Superintendent

By

David M. Smith
Acting Superintendent

CH:2

June 13, 1933

Assayer in Charge,
United States Mint,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sir:

Referring to your shipment No. 1, I have to advise that upon adding the fine ounces of your bars, the total has been found to be 5,460.570, instead of 5,460.580 as stated in your invoice.

As this would affect the total gold and silver value, I have raised the third figure in the decimal of the fine weight where possible in order to increase the total fine ounces to conform to your total as well as bring agreement in the total gold and silver value, as you will note from the duplicate memorandum herewith.

Trusting this will be satisfactory to you, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Dean Marshall
acting Superintendent

June 14, 1933

Mr. E. Kemp Welch,
Bullard, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 7th instant I am enclosing herewith circular letter which gives you as much information regarding treatment charges as is possible without further definite information as to the kind of bullion to be treated. I trust this will answer your purpose.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

June 14, 1933

Mr. J. Michelson,
103 West Central Avenue,
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 12th instant, the latter weighing upon receipt here 10.13 troy ounces, and while I note that you put a shipping value of \$125.00 on this material, I doubt that this value will be contained therein. I believe your gold will have a value considerably under \$100.00, which is the minimum accepted for purchase, and I would therefore suggest that you send at least two ounces of good gold to be added to this material in order that your deposit will comply with the requirements of the Mint.

Should I proceed to treat this material and find its value less than the minimum, it would be necessary to reject it and impose our treatment charges up to that time.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:7

June 14, 1933

Mrs. Joe Wright,
Ohio, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 11th instant, the latter consisting of two buttons, marked Button No. 1, weighing 1.50 troy ounces, and one button marked Button No. 2, weighing 50/100 of a troy ounce, of which you desire separate treatment.

In this connection, I have to advise that separate treatment can not be made on these lots, as each lot treated must have the full weight and value of a deposit, which in the case of newly mined gold is two full troy ounces of gold.

Under the above conditions, your three buttons could be consolidated into one deposit and one check and memorandum of return forwarded you, but they could not be treated separately, nor could the Mint insure the check in payment unless you forward a registry stamp for that purpose.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 14, 1933

Mr. Albert Hartman,
814 West 10th Street,
Casper, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I have received the various articles of old gold recently forwarded by you to this institution and have to advise that deposits of freshly mined gold are accepted in lots of two troy ounces, and over, but mined gold and gold in the form of manufactured articles are not accepted when the deposit has a value under \$100.00 and a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

I would therefore suggest that you forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this material to you and have to advise that when deposits are forwarded to the Mint for sale, they should be accompanied by a letter of advice - no deposits being entered for treatment without such a letter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 14, 1933

Mr. L. S. Miskay,
Parson's Route No. 9,
Nogai, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment consisting of one retort weighing 1.87 troy ounces, and regret to advise you that the Mint can not purchase this gold from you as the regulations do not permit the acceptance or deposits of this character having a weight under two full troy ounces of gold.

If you can send at least one-half ounce more of similar material to be added to this lot, I shall be glad to have you do so, but if this is not convenient, kindly forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this retort to you. If you can send this additional gold, please accompany same with a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been produced.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

June 14, 1933

Mr. J. R. Johnson,
Blanding, Utah.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your small consignment consisting of amalgam grains weighing 43/100 of a troy ounce, and regret to advise you that the Mint can not purchase this gold from you as the regulations do not permit the acceptance of deposits of virgin gold having a weight under two full troy ounces of gold.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, these grains will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 14, 1933

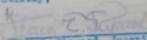
Mr. A. C. Grimes,
Silver City, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your small consignment consisting of two buttons weighing 89/100 of a troy ounce, and regret to advise you that the Mint can not accept these buttons for purchase, two full troy ounces being the very least amount of new gold accepted.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance these buttons will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 14, 1933

Safeway, No. 105,
Jerome, Idaho.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your consignment consisting of
retort and amalgam grains, weighing 2.32 troy ounces, and
have to advise that this material is being held without treat-
ment pending the receipt from you of a letter of advice per-
taining thereto. Please write me promptly regarding this
deposit.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:7

June 14, 1933

McLeod Mercantile Company,
Norris, Montana.

Gentlemen:

Your consignment consisting of retort and amalgam grains, weighing upon receipt here 4.16 troy ounces, has been received but to date no letter of advice pertaining thereto has been received from you.

Under the regulations, no deposits may be entered on our books for treatment until a letter of advice has been received from the depositor and you are therefore requested to write me promptly concerning this material.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 14, 1933

Mr. Roy Franck,
Box 415,
Silverton, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Your consignment consisting of six buttons, weighing upon receipt here 21.70 troy ounces, has been received, but to date I have not received from you a letter of advice pertaining to this deposit which the regulations require before deposits may be entered on our books for treatment.

Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 14, 1933

Mr. Harry D. Imman,
2408 Mendoc Street,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 12th instant requesting printed matter relative to assay and extraction of certain metals, and regret to advise you that the Mint does not have for distribution printed literature on any subject, nor am I able to advise you where you could obtain the information you desire except in the regular text books on the subject.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:2

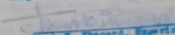
June 14, 1933

Mrs. Thomas F. Backett,
418 East 10th Street,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

Answering your note of the 12th instant, please be advised that the Mint does not purchase silver unless it contains an appreciable amount of gold, the deposit to have a minimum value of \$100.00, and for such silver the Mint will pay the New York market price, less the fraction, as quoted in the daily papers.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 14, 1923

Mr. H. A. Jacobs,
Vice President,
El Paso National Bank,
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 7th instant and under separate cover your two buttons of bullion, weighing upon receipt here 11.01 troy ounces, and have to advise that these buttons are not acceptable as a deposit at the Mint as a preliminary test indicates that their value would be approximately \$15.00.

If you could send about two ounces of good gold, the same to consist of mined gold, to be added to this lot, it would then be acceptable for purchase.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

OW:T

June 14, 1933

Mr. Elmer B. Penn,
Box 1908,
Tucson, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and king forwarded under date of the 9th instant, the latter weighing upon receipt here 55.93 troy ounces and regret to advise you that this king is not acceptable as a deposit at the Mint as a preliminary test to ascertain its gold content discloses that it is practically all lead.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your king will be returned you, or if you prefer, it will be forwarded by express, charges collect, upon receipt of your advice in the matter.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 14, 1933

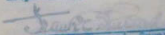
Mr. Milton Cornelius,
Black Hawk, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Your consignment consisting of one retort weighing 2.48 troy ounces has been received, but to date I have not received from you a letter of advice pertaining to this deposit which the regulations require before consignments may be entered on our books for treatment.

Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 15, 1933

Mary G. Austin,
1903 Spruth 8th Street,
Boise, Idaho.

Dear Madam:

As requested in your note on my letter to you of the 9th instant, I have returned to you by insured mail the watch and chain forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using \$1. of the \$5. in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith \$4. in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

June 15, 1913

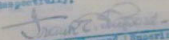
Mr. Carl A. Blumck,
2214 East Harrison Avenue,
Spokane, Washington.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 7th instant, I have returned to you the returns and grains forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ of the 20¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

GE:V

Enclosure

June 15, 1933

Mr. A. C. Stuhl,
4342 Charlotte Street,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 12th instant, I have returned to you the industrial survey forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 38¢ of the 40¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 8¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:V
Enclosure

June 15, 1933


La Crosse Gold Refining Company,
Attention: Mr. E. E. Hemingway,
La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of the 10th instant,
I have returned to you by parcel post the dental amalgam
included with your consignment No. 510, the same not being
acceptable for purchase.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to
you in this matter, I am

Sincerely,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

6547

June 18, 1928

Mr. J. B. Martin,
130 West Manhattan Street,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your note of recent date, I have returned to you by insured parcel post the sum forwarded by you to this Unit, with 28¢ of the 56¢ in postage enclosed with your note for that purpose and returning 50¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

June 15, 1933

Mr. Walter E. Kleinberg,
602 West 17th Street,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 12th instant,
I have returned to you by insured mail the old gold forwarded
by you to this Mint for purchase, using 18¢ of the 24¢ in post-
age enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning
herewith 6¢ in stamps to balance.

Replying to the second paragraph of your letter, I
have to say that without making an assay or ~~you~~ ~~was~~ it
would be very difficult to make an estimate of its value.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to
you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:2
Enclosure

June 15, 1923

Mr. Victor F. Waterman,
Bingo, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and piece of metal under date of the 12th instant, the latter weighing upon receipt here, 56/100 of a troy ounce, and have to advise that deposits of freshly mined gold must have a ~~minimum~~ weight of two full troy ounces of gold in order to be ~~acceptable~~ for purchase.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your metal will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepley, Superintendent

OK:2

June 15, 1933

Mr. Fred H. Heineman,
Buena Vista, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have returned you by insured parcel post your recent consignment to this institution using the postage forwarded by you, and have to state that your package upon receipt here was in good condition and your metal enclosed in the wrappings as described by you.

It appears, however, that your metal consists of silver instead of brass as inadvertently stated in my letter to you of the 29th ultimo.

The Mint will purchase deposits containing two full troy ounces of freshly mined gold but can not accept consignments of this character.

Regretting that you were misinformed as to the nature of your metal and that it can not be purchased by the Mint,

I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Murphy, Superintendent

June 15, 1933

Mr. E. W. Briggs,
Beek Springs, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment of recent date, weighing upon receipt here 7.25 troy ounces, consisting of some industrial gold and a small amount of natural grains in water.

The Mint does not accept deposits of industrial gold having a value under \$100.00 or freshly mined gold in lode having a weight under two full troy ounces of gold which should be dried out before forwarding to the Mint.

Under the above conditions, I have to request that you forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your material to you and when forwarding deposits to the Mint, please accompany them with a letter of advice, which in the case of mined gold should state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shipps, Superintendent

June 15, 1933

Mr. M. E. Lee,
623 Security Building,
Glendale, California.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 15th instant and in reply have to advise that during the calendar year 1907, the Mints manufactured both the so-called Indian Head and Liberty Head \$10 gold pieces, having a total of \$24,838,790.00, although only the Liberty Head design was manufactured at this institution, consisting of 1,030,000 pieces and not the Indian Head as stated by you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 15, 1933

Mr. E. S. Peck,
Trust Department,
First National Bank,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 13th instant,
I have this day returned to you by insured mail the two
bottles of water and gold forwarded by you to this Mint,
using 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ of the fifty-cent coin enclosed with your letter
for that purpose and returning herewith 30¢ in coins
and a one-half cent stamp to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance
to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank V. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:E

Enclosure

June 15, 1923

Mr. J. E. Millie,
Swinden House,
Grants Pass, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 12th instant stating you are forwarding a sample of ore which you desire assayed for its platinum and iridium content, I have to advise that the Mint does not make assays of this character and you are requested to forward me, at your earliest convenience, the necessary postage for the return of this sample to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 15, 1933

Mr. A. V. Barvered,
Howard Lake, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 13th instant, I have to advise that your gold upon receipt here weighs 15.63 troy ounces, instead of 15 ounces and 4 pennyweights as stated in your letter of advice. Please advise me promptly if this weight meets with your approval.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:2

June 15, 1933

Mr. Alvin Davis,
Box 44,
Silverton, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Without further information regarding the piece of bullion mentioned in your letter of the 14th instant, which you state weighs $8\frac{1}{2}$ ounces, it is impossible for us to say that it would be a satisfactory deposit at the Mint.

If this piece of bullion consists of freshly mined gold and contains at least one-fifth of its weight in pure gold, it may be forwarded here for purchase; if it consists of melted articles of jewelry or industrial scrap of any kind, it must contain a value of at least \$100.00 and have at least one-fifth of its weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver.

Should you forward this bullion to the Mint, kindly accompany same with a letter of advice and if it is freshly mined gold, please state the source from which it has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Stamped envelope returned

June 15, 1923

Assayer in Charge,
United States Assay Office,
Seattle, Washington.

Sir:

In further reference to the request contained in the letter from the Director of the Mint relative to forwarding molds to your institution, I have this day forwarded you by Railway Express Agency, Inc., two 1000-ounce chrome-nickel molds - Bill of lading T-110102 to cover herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

GR:T

Enclosure

June 15, 1923

Mr. W. F. Robertson,
Crescent, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 12th instant, the latter weighing upon receipt here 1.71 troy ounces instead of 2 ounces as stated by you.

Two troy ounces of gold being the minimum purchased by the Mint, you are requested to supplement this lot by approximately one half ounce in order to render this deposit acceptable for purchase.

Awaiting your further wishes in this matter,

I am

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 16, 1933

Dr. H. D. Burras,
2325 Railroad Avenue,
North Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 14th instant addressed to Mrs. Nellie Ross, Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colorado, has been delivered to me and in reply you are advised that the following assays can be made for you by this institution at the prices indicated, money order payable to the Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, to accompany your samples:

Gold	-	\$1.00	Copper	-	\$2.00
Silver	-	1.00	Nickel	-	2.00
Lead	-	1.00			

Your samples should be forwarded transportation charge prepaid and be accompanied by a letter of advice as to the assays desired.

The above will answer your inquiry as to assays, and I have forwarded your letter to Mrs. Ross, who is the Director of the Mint, Washington, D.C., for her information as to other matters to which you refer.

Respectfully,


Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

June 18, 1933

Rev. Gay V. Hartman,
Pastor, M. E. Church,
Cherryvale, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 12th instant, I have to say that the old gold to which you refer would not be of sufficient value for ~~purchase~~ ~~by~~ ~~any~~ bank which does not accept deposits of that character having a value under \$100.00, nor where the pure gold content is less ~~than~~ one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Plats and washer articles contain very little gold, and when deposits contain much material of that nature, a very large amount of good silver is necessary to accompany same to offset the base metal contained in such articles.

Regretting that the Mint can not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CHT

June 16, 1933

National Dental Laboratory,
Liggett Building,
Springfield, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter and remittance under date of the 17th instant, the latter weighing 6.30 Troy ounces, and have to advise that such gold is not purchased unless it contains a value of at least \$100.00 and there is present at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit in pure gold, or pure gold and silver.

While your material appears to comply with the latter requirement as to fineness, I believe it will require not less than four ounces of good dental ~~--- scrap~~ to give your deposit the required value of \$100.00.

If you are unable to send this additional gold, your remittance will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

In future when forwarding such material to the Mint, please remove all teeth and other foreign substances.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 16, 1923

Mr. John H. Turner,
Blackfoot, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I have your consignment under date of the 12th instant, weighing upon receipt here 9.08 Troy ounces. and to advise that inasmuch as this consignment does not appear to contain \$400.00 in value, which is the very minimum accepted for purchase, I am holding your material without treatment and have to state that it will require at least two ounces of good gold to render your deposit acceptable for payment.

If you are unable to forward this additional gold, please send us the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your material to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 16, 1933

Mr. C. L. Hatcher,
Panora, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 13th instant in regard to a supposed \$20 gold piece minted in Denver in 1890, and have to advise that no witness of such a denomination in gold has been issued by any of the Mints of the United States.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Johnson, Superintendent

CH:T

Stamped envelope returned

June 16, 1933

Mr. Leigh T. Dowling,
Saint Francis, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 14th instant, your jewelry being weighing 2.61 troy ounces, and have to advise that such an item character in order to be acceptable for purchase by the Mint must have a minimum value of \$100.00. As the value of your gold is far from even approximating this amount, it will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank T. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 15, 1933

Mr. Frank Shuster,
R. F. D. 2220,
Dawson, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 14th instant enclosing fragments of a chain and have to advise that the bank will not purchase this small amount of gold from you as articles of old jewelry are not accepted as being having a value under \$100.

These pieces were not made at the United States Mint and I am unable to state what amount of gold they may contain but if they are of coin gold fineness (900 fine), which I doubt, they would be worth approximately \$1.75, the weight being 9/100 of a troy ounce.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance this material will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank H. Shuster, Superintendent

CH:9

June 16, 1933

Mr. W. P. Eastman,
Moab, Utah.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a consignment bearing your name but to date have not received from you a letter of advice concerning this shipment which is necessary before it may be entered on our books for treatment.

I also have to advise that two full troy ounces of gold is the minimum amount of freshly mined gold accepted for purchase and as your retorts are very wet and including this moisture weigh only two ounces now, the actual weight of these retorts would be less when they are dried out. It will be necessary therefore for you to send some more gold to be added thereto.

Respectfully,


Frank V. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 15, 1933

Mr. W. H. Varley,
307 West Main Street,
Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your shipment of industrial scrap weighing upon receipt here 73.44 troy ounces, and have to advise that owing to the large amount of filled ware included in this material, it will require about 20 ounces of sterling silver to offset the base metal contained in the filled ware.

Please be advised also the no deposits may be entered on our books for treatment and purchase until a letter of advice pertaining to same has been received from the depositor.

Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 17, 1903

Mr. Louis Spiegel,
12603 Brackland Avenue,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 14th instant and in replying thereto have to state that the Mint does not purchase silver bullion unless it contains an appreciable gold content, the two metals in the deposit to have a gross value of \$100., and a precious metal content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit. Gold is purchased under the same conditions without any silver content.

The Mint pays approximately the New York market price for silver and \$20.67 for each fine ounce of gold, less the customary Mint charges.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepley, Superintendent

GH:T

June 17, 1933

Frank Hyde Jewelry Company,
Sioux Falls, South Dakota.


Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your consignment of industrial scrap, weighing 12.25 troy ounces, and note that you place a value thereon of \$20.00.

In this connection, I have to advise that deposits in order to be acceptable for purchase must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and contain at least one-fifth of their weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver. It would be impossible for me to determine the value contained in your material prior to its melting and assaying, but I would suggest that you send two or more ounces of good gold to be added to this lot in order that it may contain the required value.

Should I proceed to treat this material and find that its value is below the required amount, it would be necessary for me to reject it and impose thereon all treatment charges incurred up to the time of its rejection.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CHT

June 17, 1933

Mr. W. H. Lowry,
Granite, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Your bottle of mercury has been received and I have to advise that deposits of this character are not acceptable for purchase by the Mint and upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance it will be returned you.

The Mint will accept deposits of placer gold, when free from all foreign substance, which have a weight of two full troy ounces of gold - each consignment to be accompanied by a letter of advice stating the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 17, 1933

Aberdeen Oil Company,
Attention: Mr. Calvin Snow,
Aberdeen, Idaho.

Gentlemen:

Your small button, weighing 1.04 troy ounces, has been received together with your letter of the 15th instant, and I regret to say that your gold can not be purchased by the Mint as such deposits must have a weight of two full troy ounces of gold.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your button will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 17, 1933

Mr. Rollin E. Catts, Trustee,
King Hill, Idaho.

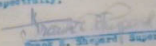
Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 14th instant and accompanying enclosures, and have to advise that two full tray ounces of gold is the very least upon which separate returns may be made, this being the minimum of deposits treated. Your three lots weigh as follows:

Engelson	6.25	Troy ounces
Cleco25	" "
Cleco77	" "
Cleco-up		
Total	7.27	" "

If you desire, these three lots may be combined into one deposit, but the last two could not be treated separately. Please advise me as to your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

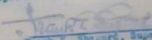
June 17, 1933

Mr. J. A. Spruce,
Sheridan, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 15th instant, you are advised that deposits of freshly mined gold are accepted in lots as small as two full troy ounces of gold. Deposits of industrial scrap, must have a value of at least \$100.00, as well as a pure gold, or pure gold and silver content equal to not less than one-fifth of the weight of the material - consignments in either case to be accompanied by a letter of advice which, in the case of freshly mined gold, should state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:5

June 17, 1923

Dr. V. V. Logan,
Livingston, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment of spectacle frames, weighing upon receipt here, 12.25 troy ounces, and have to advise that these frames would not be an acceptable deposit at the Mint as deposits of this character must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and a pure gold content equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the material - spectacle frames containing very little gold.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your frames will be returned you and in future should you forward any deposits to the Mint, kindly accompany same with a letter of advice, no deposits being entered for treatment until such a letter has been received from the depositor.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 17, 1933

Mr. Ben S. Crew,
205 West 10th Street,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 14th instant you are advised that all steel and iron parts should be removed from the old jewelry to which you refer, and as I note you contemplate forwarding filled and plated scrap to the Mint, I have to advise that it will be necessary that high-grade silver of at least one fourth of the weight of such material should accompany same in order that its precious metal content will be at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit, which should also have a precious metal value of at least \$100.

Our treatment charges are based upon the base metal content of deposits and it will therefore be to your interest to include as much additional high-grade silver as convenient for you to do so.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 19, 1913

Mr. R. L. Ellis,
Hot Springs National Park,
Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 15th instant and in reply you are advised that this institution will make ore assays for you to determine the presence of the following metals at the prices indicated:

Gold	-	\$1.00	Copper	-	\$2.00
Silver	-	1.00	Zinc	-	2.00
Lead	-	1.50			

Money order for the proper amount, payable to the Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, must accompany your samples, and I would suggest that sample piece of ore about the size of one's fist would be sufficient.

At the present time our Assay Department is exceedingly busy but upon receipt of your money order and samples, the assays will be made at the earliest opportunity.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

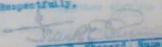
June 19, 1933

First National Bank in St. Louis,
Transit Department,
Saint Louis, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your note of the 16th instant, you
are advised that check in payment of your consignment No.
610 was mailed you on the 16th instant.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ONLY

June 19, 1933

Mr. M. Collins,
Director of Finance,
Veterans Administration,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 17th instant (HBC-4)
relative to the present address of Mrs. Elizabeth Robinson,
widow of William E. Robinson, formerly employed as foreman
at this institution, I have been informed that she is now
living at 2572 South Arden Street, Denver.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

GH:T


June 19, 1933

L. Fred & Sons,
Waco, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Answering the postscript on your letter of the 10th instant relative to the disposal of gold filled scrap and silver, I have to advise that gold filled articles are purchased by the Mint when the pure gold content has a value of at least \$100.00 and one-fourth of the weight of the deposit consists of pure gold, or pure gold and silver. Silver is not purchased alone but is purchased when forwarded as stated above with gold deposits.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 19, 1933

Mr. A. H. Hall,
Columbia Falls, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 15th instant and in reply beg to say that if you do not feel it safe to ship your gold by prepaid express, insured parcel post, or registered mail, it will be necessary for you to bring it in person to the Mint.

Should you forward your bullion by one of the three foregoing methods, kindly accompany same with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank B. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T
3¢ stamp returned

June 20, 1923

Mr. Charles J. Fay,
1 Federal Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your request for certain coins of this Mint, please be advised that application for new or uncirculated coins should be made to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C., as per instructions in the enclosed circular.

The ten-cent coin and the stamped envelope enclosed with your letter are returned herewith.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosures

June 20, 1923

Mr. Amosifa Eyofo,
The General Trader,
Ode-Sida Street,
Ode Ode, Nigeria.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of May 25th and have to advise that this institution has not received from you any previous communication nor the consignment of gold to which you refer.

I would be impossible for me to accept any gold for coinage of the kind you mention and its return to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:F

June 20, 1933

Mr. Farrell Holick,
Rural Route 2,
Tuskahoma, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Answering your inquiry of the 21st ultimo regarding the value of Indian head pennies, you are advised that these coins, if not mutilated or defaced, are worth their face value, but as the Mint does not deal in old or rare coins in any manner, I am unable to give you any information as to what premium, if any, may be paid on these pennies by private coin collectors or numismatic dealers.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

GN:T

Aug 20, 1933

Saveway Markets,
Attention: Mr. L. J. Mills,
Salmon, Idaho.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your two lots under date of the 14th instant, No. 1 weighs 2.74 troy ounces and No. 2, 1.87 troy ounces, I have to advise that these two lots could be treated as one deposit, but the weight of No. 2 is insufficient for individual treatment - the Mint not making a report on any lot under two full troy ounces of gold.

Should you desire separate treatment, it will be necessary for you to send approximately one-quarter of an ounce more of similar gold to go with lot No. 2.

Please advise us promptly of your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 20, 1923

Mr. Edward Schoe,
Bollingerville, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and three consignments under date of the 18th instant and have to advise that your lots, Nos. 1, 2 and 3, weigh, respectively, 98/100 of a tray ounce, 48/100 of a tray ounce and 25/100 of a tray ounce, or a combined total of 1.63 tray ounces, and regret to say that this total is insufficient for acceptance as a deposit, as two full tray ounces of gold is the very least the Mint may accept for treatment. It will therefore require about one-half an ounce of additional gold to make this deposit acceptable for purchase. Kindly forward this gold at your earliest convenience and oblige.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

June 20, 1933

Mr. Rollie E. Catts, Trustee,
C/o Luxor Tile Company, Minneapolis, Minn.
741 Metropolitan Bank Building
Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 17th instant and accompanying consignment which weighs upon receipt here 11.90 troy ounces instead of about 13 ounces as stated in your letter, and before proceeding to treat same I would appreciate your advising me if our weight meets with your approval.

I am also holding your former consignment of three lots, which you desired treated separately and which I advised you in my letter of the 17th instant could not be done as the Clean lot weighs but 25/100 of a troy ounce and the Clean-up lot 77/100 of a troy ounce, but that the three lots, Bagelton, Clean and Clean-up could be combined in one deposit.

Please advise me promptly regarding your wishes in respect to these two shipments.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:V

June 20, 1933

Mr. A. E. Moore,
628 Minnesota Avenue,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 15th instant, I have to advise that deposits containing gold of the character forwarded by you are not accepted for purchase when their value in pure gold is less than \$100.00 and when the pure gold, or pure gold and silver is less than one-fifth of the weight of the deposit - your deposit containing but 3.42 troy ounces of good gold and 32.34 troy ounces of filled ware, the latter, of course, being low in pure gold content.

To render your consignment acceptable for purchase, it will be necessary for you to send 10 ounces or more of sterling silver to offset the base metal contained in your filled ware and fully three times more of good gold similar to that you have included in this shipment.

I am holding your material without treatment and have to request that you will advise me promptly as to your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

GM:T

June 20, 1933

Mr. A. W. Good,
316 Shields Street,
Lewistown, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 16th instant and have to advise that while your gold is very good and was forwarded in the proper manner, I regret to say that it weighs only 78/100 of a troy ounce, while the minimum amount accepted for purchase is two full troy ounces of gold.

Under these conditions, it will be necessary for you to supplement this shipment with at least one and one-quarter ounce of similar gold to be added to this lot, in order that your deposit will contain the required amount of gold. Should this not be convenient for you, your grains will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK.Y

June 20, 1933

Mr. Leigh D. Dowling,
Saint Francis, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 19th instant enclosing \$20.00 in postage for the return to you of your recent consignment to this institution and have to say that while the Mint does not recommend outside dealers nor assume any responsibility when their names are suggested as a matter of accommodation to depositors whose deposits are not acceptable for purchase, it may be that Charles C. Parker, 1901 Lawrence Street, or Carl Blaurock, Mack Building, both in this city, would purchase this gold from you, returns to be made direct to you.

I would suggest that you request one of the foregoing parties to call at this institution and upon presentation of a letter of authority from you to turn your gold over to the one designated, I shall be glad to comply with your request, at which time your postage will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 20, 1933

Mr. Earl Weisington,
526 Welford Avenue,
Grand Junction, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 19th instant, I have
to advise that the Mint does not sell silver in any quantity,
nor has the Mint any printed matter for distribution.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

Stamped envelope returned

June 20, 1933

Miners Saving Bank & Trust Company,
Butte, Montana.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your small consignment under date of the 13th instant for the account of A. L. Jones and partner, I have to advise that upon receipt here this material weighs only 98/100 of a troy ounce, while the minimum deposits acceptable for purchase of freshly mined gold is two full troy ounces of gold.

I would therefore suggest that you forward us the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this material to you, unless within a short period the above parties can supply the necessary additional gold to give the deposit the required weight of two full troy ounces of gold.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 20, 1933

Mr. F. T. Pingree,
Great Falls, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Answering the last paragraph of your letter of the 14th instant, you are advised that the Mint will accept the gold filled watch cases and silver to which you refer if your consignment will have a value of at least \$100.00 in pure gold, and the cases are accompanied by one-fourth of their weight in high-grade silver, thus giving your deposit a minimum value of \$100.00 and a precious metal content equal to approximately one-fourth of its weight.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 20, 1923

Roswell, Inc.,
Fifth Avenue at Main,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your consignment under date of the 13th instant, weighing upon receipt here 459.47 troy ounces, you are advised that after melting and assaying this material, its base metal content has been found to be greatly in excess of the maximum amount which may be contained in deposits acceptable for purchase, and I am therefore required by the regulations to reject your material and impose thereon \$1.00 to cover our melting charge which you are requested to forward me by money order at your earliest convenience.

If you desire to have this material reentered as a deposit at the Mint, you should forward not less than 40 ounces of high-grade silver to increase the precious metal content and lower its base metal content proportionately, but before this action may be taken the foregoing charges must be paid.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 20, 1933

Mr. K. E. Hamilton,
West 761 E. E. Avenue,
Casper, Wyoming. C/o Jack Hamilton.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 19th instant advising that you are forwarding some gravel for assay, and have to state that the following assays may be made for you by this institution upon receipt of money order for the proper amount, payable to the Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver:

Gold	-	\$1.00
Silver	-	1.00
Lead	-	1.50
Copper	-	2.00
Zinc	-	2.00

When forwarding money order, please state assays desired.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 20, 1923

Mr. Ben Kemp,
Apache Creek,
New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 13th instant enclosing
10¢ in postage for the return to you of the sample of sand
and rock forwarded by you to this institution, and have to
advise that to date these samples have not been received here.

I will hold your postage for awhile and if the sam-
ples do not reach me, will return this postage to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

June 21, 1903

Mr. J. L. Spore Co.,
Donkey Hotel
Tucson, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment number 310 under date of the 17th instant. I have to advise that your gold weight upon receipt here 31.85 Troy ounces instead of 34 ounces as stated by you. Your package was received in good condition and I therefore expect the difference in weight stated is only an error on your part, but before proceeding to treat this material. I would like to be advised if the weight as received here meets with your approval.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,
Superintendent.

WES

June 21, 1908

Mr. F. L. McNamee
Walsh.
Colorado.

Gen'l Delivery.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 18th instant, I have to state that freshly mined gold, practically free from rock or sand is accepted when deposits contain at least 2 Troy ounces of gold. Gold in the form of old jewelry, scrap, etc., is accepted only when deposits contain a value of \$100. In pure gold and where the pure gold content is equal to at least one-fifth of the weight of the deposit.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard.
Superintendent.

61:52

DENVER JUNE 22, 1933

AL WILLIAMS
PITTSBURG KANSAS

IF DEPOSIT SATISFACTORY PAYMENT USUALLY MADE WITHIN
TEN DAYS AFTER RECEIPT.

Frank E. Shepard
Superintendent mint

Collect charges at Pittsburg

June 22, 1933

Mr. Jack McEllyn,
744 Colorado Avenue,
Grand Junction, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Your scrap gold weighing 10/100 of a troy ounce has been received and you are advised that gold of this character is not purchased in lots having a value under \$100.00. It will therefore be necessary for you to forward the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this small amount of gold to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 22, 1935

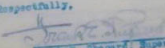
Mr. Alvin Davis,
P.O. Box 44,
Silverton, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the piece of metal forwarded by you under date of the 19th instant, you are advised that this metal consists of iron ore and therefore not acceptable for purchase by the Mint.

Please advise me promptly if you desire this metal returned to you and if so, kindly forward the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 22, 1933

Mr. Ira Frowd,
De Lamar, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I have received your two retorts weighing 92/100 of a troy ounce and have to advise that two full troy ounces of gold is the minimum amount accepted for purchase and upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your retorts will be returned you.

You are also advised that in no event are deposits entered on our books for treatment unless accompanied by a letter of advice, none having been received from you in this instance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CE:T

June 22, 1933

Mr. Carmelino Baker,
Hanksville, Utah.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 17th instant and under separate cover have received your retorts and amalgam grains weighing 3.48 troy ounces which is considerably less than the weight given in your letter of advice.

Please advise me promptly if this weight is satisfactory to you when your deposit will be entered for treatment, but in view of the fact that our annual audit is now in progress, payment for this deposit can not be made until the first of next month.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:7

June 22, 1933

Mr. Elmer Peck,
Box 1908
Tucson, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request under date of the 17th instant, I have returned to you by insured parcel post the ring forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 56¢ of the 43¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning 11¢ in stamps herewith to balance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

June 22, 1933

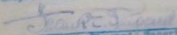
Mr. Charles H. Edmundson,
Taco, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Under date of the 15th instant I received a deposit from you weighing 11.92 troy ounces but to date have not received from you a letter of advice covering this shipment. Please forward this to me at your earliest convenience.

Owing to the fact that our annual audit is now in progress, no deposits entered on our books since the 17th instant may be paid for until after July 1st, and as your deposit could not be entered upon receipt, as it was held for a letter of advice, payment of this deposit will not be forwarded you until the early part of July as above stated.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CE:7

June 22, 1923

Mr. Samuel Gordon,
209 Majestic Building,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 9th instant I have to advise that the additional material forwarded by you, consisting of 15.63 troy ounces of various karat gold and one silver watch case weighing 2.62 troy ounces, will not put your deposit in acceptable condition for purchase by the Mint.

You will note in my letter to you of the 7th instant that you were requested to forward at least 15 ounces of sterling silver to reduce the base metal content of your material previously received.

In order that deposits may comply with the requirements of the Mint they must contain, in addition to a value of \$100.00, at least one-fifth of their weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver. The karat gold and filled ware forwarded by you do not apparently contain enough pure gold and silver to comply with this requirement, and the silver you were requested to forward is needed to increase the precious metal content above the amount it now contains.

While the additional material forwarded by you will increase the pure metal a trifle, your deposit still needs not less than 10 ounces of sterling silver to raise its fineness to the proportion mentioned. Filled ware requires at least one-fourth of its weight in sterling silver.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 22, 1933

Mr. Robert James,
Durant, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the piece of metal forwarded by you under date of the 17th instant, weighing 1.45 troy ounces, you are advised that this metal appears to be brass and therefore unacceptable as a deposit at the Mint.

Please advise me promptly if you desire this metal returned you and if so, enclose the necessary postage and insurance for that purpose.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 22, 1933

Mr. E. E. Grisham,
319 O'Farrell Street,
Boise, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 17th instant and under separate cover your five amalgam buttons and grains, weighing 2.12 troy ounces and have to advise that the Mint does not accept deposits of this character unless the mercury has been distilled off; also such deposits must contain at least two full troy ounces of gold.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your material will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OS:T

June 22, 1933

Mr. E. E. Grisham,
319 O'Farrell Street,
Boise, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 17th instant and under separate cover your five amalgam buttons and grains, weighing 2.12 troy ounces and have to advise that the Mint does not accept deposits of this character unless the mercury has been distilled off, also such deposits must contain at least two full troy ounces of gold.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your material will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

GS.T

June 22, 1935

Mr. Frank F. Johnston,
Berwood, Colorado

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 17th instant in reference to your return and amalgam grains, weighing upon receipt here 1.64 troy ounces and have to advise that it will be necessary for you to forward promptly at least one ounce additional of gold to go with this material to render it acceptable for purchase - two full troy ounces of gold being the minimum amount accepted for purchase.

If you are unable to forward this additional gold, please send the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this material to you.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CS:7

June 22, 1923

Mr. Thomas F. Arnett,
402 Central National Bank Tower,
Battle Creek, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 19th instant, I have to advise that the following assays can be made for you by this institution at the charges indicated upon receipt of samples about the size of one's fist and a money order, payable to the Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, covering the proper charges in the premises. When forwarding money order and samples, please state which determinations you desire made of your samples.

Gold	-	\$1.00	Copper	-	\$2.00
Silver	-	1.00	Lead	-	2.00
Lead	-	1.00			

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH.T

June 22, 1933

Mr. J. E. Martin,
207 San Francisco Street,
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with your request under date of the 17th instant, I have returned to you by insured mail the six pieces of metal included in your consignment to this institution, using 12¢ of the 20¢ in stamps enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 17¢ in postage to balance.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T
Enclosure

June 22, 1906

Mr. Albert Hartman,
814 West 10th Street,
Casper, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 15th instant,
I have returned to you by insured mail the various arti-
cles of old gold recently forwarded by you to this Mint for
purchase, using $21\frac{1}{2}$ of the $22\frac{1}{2}$ in postage enclosed with your
letter for that purpose and returning herewith $7\frac{1}{2}$ in stamps to
balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to
you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

June 22, 1923

Mr. G. W. Ormsby,
216 - 9th Avenue, North,
Moscow, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your note on my letter to you of the 7th instant, I have returned to you by insured mail and the small bottle of mercury forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 2¢ of the 12¢ enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning here 4¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank K. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:F

Enclosure

June 22, 1933

Mr. H. A. Jacobs, Vice-President,
El Paso National Bank,
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of the 16th instant,
I have returned you by express, charges collect, your two
buttons of bullion forwarded to this Mint for purchase.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to
you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 22, 1933

Mr. J. E. Johnson,
Moab, Utah.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 20th instant and in reply have to advise that your 42/100 of a troy ounce of gold was duly received at this institution and under date of the 14th instant, you were advised at Blanding, Utah, from which address your deposit was received, that the Mint could not purchase your gold as the very least amount the Mint may accept is two full troy ounces of gold.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Dean H. [Signature]
Acting Superintendent

OR:T

June 22, 1933

Buena Gold Mines, Inc.
Attention: Mr. J. W. Filant,
Midas, Nevada.

Gentlemen:

I have your three lots under date of the 17th instant, Nos. 48, 49 and 50, and have to advise that the 1st weighs upon receipt here 42.45 troy ounces, the 2nd, 3.07 troy ounces and the 3rd, 4.43 troy ounces, each of which weights shows a considerable discrepancy from the weights stated by you.

I have therefore to request that you will advise me promptly if our weights are satisfactory to you before proceeding to treat these lots.

Respectfully,

Frank K. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Don Brumby
Acting Superintendent

OK:T

June 22, 1933

Mr. Milton Cornelius,
Black Hawk, Colorado. Box 125

Dear Sir:

Referring to your small retort deposited at this institution, I have to advise that after melting and assaying this retort it has been found to contain considerably less than two troy ounces of gold which is the minimum amount accepted, and I am required by the regulations to impose our charges for melting and treatment amounting to \$2.00 which you are requested to forward me by money order, payable to the Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, when your material will be returned you, unless you desire to add thereto approximately two ounces of good gold.

Payment of the above charges, however, must be paid before any further action may be taken.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Dean M. ...
Acting Superintendent

CH:T

June 22, 1933

Mr. Francis J. Parker,
C/o Diamond Iron Works, Inc.,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 21st instant and note that you desire payment made for the gold being forwarded by the Eureka Mining Company, Inc., direct to the Diamond Iron Works, Inc., at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

In order that I may have the proper authority to pay the latter firm the proceeds of this bullion, I would appreciate your mailing me a letter in the name of the Eureka Mining Company, Inc., signed by yourself as Secretary.

Our annual audit is now in progress and all deposits which have been received subsequent to June 17th, are payable as of July 1st, and payment of your consignment will therefore be made as soon after that date as may be possible to do so.

Respectfully,

Frank K. Shepard, Superintendent

By 
Acting Superintendent

CH:T

Stamped envelope returned

June 22, 1933

Hon. Tom D. McKeown,
Ada, Oklahoma.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 19th instant and accompanying draft for \$18.00 to cover payment for certain assays desired by you and have to advise that the Mint charges \$1.00 for gold, \$1.00 for silver and \$2.00 for copper, each sample, or a total of \$24.00 for the determinations desired by you of the six samples which you state you are forwarding to this institution.

I am therefore returning your draft for \$18.00 and would appreciate your courtesy if you would remit the above amount by money order, payable to the Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, Colorado.

Our Assay Department is exceedingly crowded with work but your assays will be made at the earliest possible opportunity.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By


Acting Superintendent

OH:f

Enclosure

June 22, 1933

Mr. W. M. Davis,
Division Purchasing Agent,
Standard Oil Company,
Casper, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 21st instant and regret to advise that it would not be possible for me to purchase the crucibles mentioned by you as our probable needs have already been contracted for for the next fiscal year. Such articles are purchased only in large quantities after securing competitive bids from three or more dealers.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Don Kinch
Acting Superintendent

CH:T

June 28, 1933

Aberdeen Oil Company,
Attention: Mr. Calvin Moser,
Aberdeen, Idaho.

Gentlemen:

Complying with your request of the 19th instant,
I have returned to you by insured mail the small button forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 13¢ of the 25¢ in coin enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 12¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

June 25, 1928

Mr. S. W. Briggs,
Rock Springs, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request under date of the 19th instant, I have returned to you by insured parcel post the industrial gold and natural grains forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 14¢ of the 15¢ in postage enclosed with your letter for that purpose and returning herewith 4¢ in stamps to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of assistance to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

Enclosure

June 25, 1933

Esic Teague,
R. F. D. No. 1, Shile's Box,
Gore, Oklahoma.

Dear Madam:

Answering your inquiry of the 18th instant, please be advised that the MINT will purchase raw, or freshly mined gold in lots as small as two full troy ounces of gold, same to be free from sand, rock, or other foreign substance.

The Mint pays at the rate of \$20.47 for each troy ounce of pure gold and approximately the New York market price for silver, less the customary Mint charge for melting and treatment.

Please accompany any shipments you may make with a letter of advice, which should state the source from which the gold has been obtained.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OS:7

June 27, 1933

Mrs. Genevieve Wilson,
1208 Bodiamont Avenue,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Madam:

As requested in your note of recent date, I have returned to you the jewelry and dental scrap forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase under date of November 26, 1930, using 8¢ of the 9¢ in postage enclosed with your note for that purpose, and returning 1¢ stamp herewith to balance.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

June 20, 1933

National Dental Laboratory,
Liggett Building,
Springfield, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

In compliance with your request under date of the 19th instant, I have returned to you by insured parcel post the dental wrap forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using the \$75 in stamps enclosed with your letter for that purpose.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Harper, Superintendent

CH:Y

June 23, 1923

Mr. Henry Halsey,
Tomas, Colorado. W. H. No. 2

Dear Sir:

Your postal card and sample of rock addressed to
Mr. Bruce M. LaBullette, who later will be Assayer at this
institution, have been received.

You are advised that your rock can be assayed to
determine its gold and silver content at a charge of \$2.00,
(\$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order payable to
the Superintendent, United States Mint, Denver, to be re-
ceived by us in advance.

Respectfully,


Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CHT

June 25, 1923

Mr. George W. Smith,
Mystic, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

I have your consignment under date of the 20th instant, weighing upon receipt here 1.97 troy ounces and have to advise that while it is very close to the minimum accepted, which is two full troy ounces of gold, it will be necessary for you to forward some additional gold before this lot may be accepted for purchase. Please advise me promptly.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

GH:V

June 23, 1933

Mr. Francis J. Parker,
Deadwood, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 21st instant and note that you desire payment made for the gold being forwarded by the Sareka Mining Company, Inc., direct to the Diamond Iron Works, Inc., at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

In order that I may have the proper authority to pay the latter firm the proceeds of this bullion, I would appreciate your mailing me a letter in the name of the Sareka Mining Company, Inc., signed by yourself as Treasurer.

Our annual audit is now in progress and all deposits which have been received subsequent to June 17th, are payable as of July 1st, and payment of your consignment will therefore be made as soon after that date as it may be possible to do so.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Don Kimich
Acting Superintendent

June 23, 1923

Mr. Fred Giesler,
P. O. Box 7,
Mesa, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 19th instant
I have returned you by express, charges collect, the Mex-
ican gold coin forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase.

Regretting that I was unable to be of service to
you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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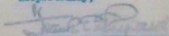
June 23, 1933

Leah J. Gillett,
Enid, Oklahoma. 216 Masonic Building.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your consignment of scrap gold and silver under date of the 20th instant, please be advised that deposits of this character must have a value of at least \$100. in order to be acceptable for purchase by the Mint. As the value of your material will fall far below this amount, you are requested to forward me the necessary postage and insurance for its return to you.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 23, 1933

Miss Helen Rhyme,
1020 - 15th Street,
Boulder, Colorado.

Dear Miss Rhyme:

Answering your postal card of recent date, you are advised that this institution has for many years been indefinitely closed to visitors, under which circumstances I regret to say that I would not be able to show you through the Mint when you are in Denver.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 23, 1923

Mr. Charles E. Calvert,
Carrollton, Missouri. R.R. No. 6

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 20th instant,
you are advised that the Mint does not purchase nickel in
small quantities in any form, nor should it be forwarded
with gold deposits.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:7

June 23, 1933

Mr. I. Solomon,
543 Fifth Avenue,
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your note of the 9th instant, you
are advised that no deposits of manufactured gold or sil-
ver are accepted by the Mint having a value under \$100.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

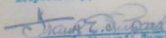
June 23, 1933

Mr. Charles F. Dunn,
220 - 14th Avenue,
Olympia, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 19th instant, I have to advise that this institution started operations in 1908 and any samples of rock forwarded here by the parties mentioned in 1893 would have gone to the old mint which was abandoned when this institution opened and these records are not now available.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 23, 1933

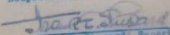
Mr. B. Galitsky,
3343 Bellfontaine Avenue,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

In order that your consignment forwarded here under date of the 21st instant, weighing 56.25 troy ounces, may have the required amount of pure gold, or pure gold and silver to comply with the minimum requirements of the Mint, it will be necessary for you to forward approximately 15 ounces of high-grade silver to offset the large amount of base metal contained therein.

Your deposit is being held without treatment in the meantime and you are requested to forward this silver at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:7

June 23, 1933

Midwest Platinum Company,
Attention: Ethel White,
Port Smith, Arkansas.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 20th instant, you are advised that if the gold plated jewelry to which you refer contains \$100.00 in pure gold, and is accompanied by the 10 pounds of silver as stated by you, the Mint will purchase same under the customary conditions. I may state for your information that plated jewelry, as a general rule, contains very little gold and is nearly all base metal.

Payment may be made in currency to be forwarded by registered mail at your expense.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CR:2

June 23, 1933

Mr. Robert Miller,
Clyde Park, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your recent shipment to this institution, I regret that I can not accept this material as two full troy ounces is the very least amount the Mint may accept for purchase, and such consignments should be free from mercury.

To render this shipment acceptable for purchase, it will be necessary for you to send one and one-half ounces more of good gold to go with this lot. If this is not convenient, however, your material will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CHS

June 23, 1933

Mr. Lyle Mitchell,
Nuala, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

The 50¢ in stamps enclosed in an envelope with no communication from you have been received and your small deposit has this day been returned you, having used 16¢ of this postage for that purpose - the balance you will find herewith.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

June 23, 1933

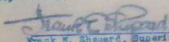
Mr. H. H. Lowry,
Granite, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your note on my letter to you of the 17th instant, I have this day returned to you the bottle of mercury forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using 36¢ of the 50¢ enclosed with your letter for that purpose, the balance, 14¢ in stamps, being enclosed herewith.

Regretting that I could not be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

June 24, 1933

Murray Jewelry Company,
109 East State Street,
Mason City, Iowa.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 22nd instant, I have to advise that old gold is purchased only when consignments have a value of at least \$100.00 and the material contains one-fifth of its weight in pure gold, or pure gold and silver. Should you forward any material here for purchase, kindly accompany same with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 23, 1923

Mr. W. C. Belts,
2916 Cumberland Street,
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 22nd instant, I have to advise that the Mint does not purchase gold ore, but I have no doubt satisfactory arrangements could be made with the Golden Cycle Corporation of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and I would therefore suggest that you take the matter up with that plant.

Respectfully,


Frank E. Shipley, Superintendent

CH:Y

June 24, 1933

Mrs. William F. Pomeroy,
Oskaloosa, Iowa. R. 3

Dear Madam:

I have your small consignment of gold forwarded with your card under date of the 21st instant, weighing upon receipt here 61/100 of a troy ounce, and wish to say that gold of this character is not accepted for purchase by the Mint unless it has a value of at least \$100.00, which precludes the possibility of purchasing this small amount of gold.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your dental scrap will be returned you.

Respectfully,


Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

